Minutes of a Town of Riverhead Town Board meeting held by the town board of the Town of Riverhead at Town Hall, Howell Avenue, Riverhead, New York on Tuesday, October 19, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Sean Walter,
John Dunleavy,
James Wooten,
George Gabrielsen,
Jodi Giglio,

Supervisor Councilman Councilman Councilman Councilwoman

ALSO PRESENT:

Diane M. Wilhelm, Dawn Thomas,

Town Clerk Town Attorney

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay. Welcome to the October 19, 2010 town board meeting.

We have a full house here we see. I'd like to get started with the Pledge of Allegiance. Tom Wolpert, if you would lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance, that would be fantastic."

(The Pledge of Allegiance was recited led by Tom Wolpert.)

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Thank you. Normally we have an invocation and there's supposed to be a Reverend Gordon (inaudible). We don't have him here. Does anybody— would anybody like to do our invocation? Okay.

All right. Can we get an approval of the town board minutes of October 5, 2010?"

Councilman Dunleavy: "Yes. I make a motion we approve the
minutes of the October 5th, 2010 meeting. So moved."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "And seconded."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The minutes are approved."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay. We have a certificate of appreciation for Timothy Griffing, Griffing Hardware in business for 80 years.

John, you want a microphone?"

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "Good evening. Okay. For the last 80 years, Tim Griffing and his father, Griffing Hardware, have been in this town of Riverhead.

His father opened in October, 80 years ago, and for the last 50 years Tim Griffing has been there. So in appreciation from the town of Riverhead and everybody, for 80 years of being in Riverhead and for 50 years of you working there, this is our appreciation to you.

Also we'd like to give you a key to the town of Riverhead."

Tim Griffing: "Oh behalf of my son and my partner, Todd, and my wife and the staff at Griffing Hardware, thank you very much."

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "Thank you. We know some establishments like Riverhead. Thank you. And Main Street."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Don't worry. It's coming back. Don't worry."

Councilman Wooten: "If you ever need a nut and a bolt,
they've got it."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay. Let's see where we are here. Correspondence. Diane."

CORRESPONDENCE:

Marianne Bogannam, Dominican Sisters Family Health Service letter received October 5, 2010 urging continuation of funding through 2011 Community Development block grant funds

Peter J. Giacalone

letter received October 7, 2010 on behalf of residents of East Manor Road, Southold Road and Northgate Circle, Calverton noticing town of potholes in above mentioned streets

Michelle Janiewicz AM PM Property Services

letter received October 28, 2010 suggesting increase of rental permit fees

Saeid E. Jalayer

e-mail received October 19, 2010 notice of withdrawal of their bid for construction of supply well plant #15

REPORTS:

Town clerk

monthly report September 2010

\$7,072.51

Industrial Development Agency

2011 budget

APPLICATIONS:

Special event permit

East End Rowing Inst. - Nov. 14 2010 snowflake regatta at the Peconic Riverfront parking area

Supervisor Walter: "All right, Diane, thank you.

I just wanted to mention on the CBG Block Grants, we're going to keep that open until November $5^{\rm th}$. It had to be open 30 days and we're going to keep in open through November $5^{\rm th}$ for public comment.

That being said, we have two public hearings."

Public hearing opened: 7:07 p.m.

Supervisor Walter: "The first one starting-- noticed for 7:05, it's for the consideration of a special use permit of Michael Stapleton Associates to convert a 1,152 square foot horse stall area of an existing barn to operate a dog kennel facility on a 6.2677

acre parcel zoned agriculture protection zone (APZ) pursuant to Article XXVIA and Section 108-22B.(3) of the Riverhead town code.

And Tom Wolpert, are you going to speak initially to the applicant? Okay, and just let the record reflect we have the cards for mailing.

Yes, if you would."

Tom Wolpert: "I do."

Dawn Thomas: "Thank you."

Tom Wolpert: "Good evening, Mr. Supervisor and members of the town board and staff.

For the record, my name is Thomas Wolpert and I am an engineer with Young & Young with offices located at 400 Ostrander Avenue in Riverhead.

We're here tonight to hear the application of Michael Stapleton Associates. The subject property is an existing 6.3 acre horse farm located on the north side of Main Road, approximately 940 feet west of Herricks Lane in Jamesport.

The property is known as Suffolk County Tax Map district 600 section 48 block 1 lot 3.4.

Access to the property is over approximately a 50 foot wide right of way from the north side of Main Road. It's a flag lot. And also from Alapurdie (phonetic) Road west of Herricks Lane.

The property is zoned APZ which is the agricultural protection zone which allows horse farm as a permitted use and commercial kennel which is the proposed use by special use of the town board.

The applicant, Michael Stapleton Associates, proposes to construct interior renovations only to the existing horse barn to facilitate a dog training facility.

Approximately 1,152 square feet of interior renovations will be

required to convert approximately 15 horse stalls to eight dog kennels.

With me here this evening are representatives of Michael Stapleton. We have John Harvey who is the director of canine operations for Michael Stapleton Associates and also their attorney, Ed Bonsignore. Now these gentlemen are prepared to answer any questions of a legal nature or a technical nature involving the operation of the proposed facility."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay, thank you. We're going to go through— do you have more information you want to present to the board before we go to the public?"

Tom Wolpert: "No."

Councilman Gabrielsen "I may ask a question here if I can. You stated it was 900 and "x" amount of feet from Herricks Lane, but it's actually on Alpurdie. Am I correct? I mean it sounds like it's far away but it's actually on a public street, Alpurdie Lane property."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "I'm talking about the property itself
is on Alpurdie Lane?"

Tom Wolpert: "Yes."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Okay."

Councilman Dunleavy: "I just want to ask another question. How much noise from the animals will be coming out because there's houses within 300 and 150 feet of this barn."

Tom Wolpert: "I think the nearest house is 300 feet, but-"

Councilman Dunleavy: "Three hundred."

<u>Tom Wolpert:</u> "Would you like to answer that, John? John Harvey, would you like to answer that?"

<u>John Harvey:</u> "Should I address you, sir?"

Supervisor Walter: "You have to stand up and be sworn in."

Dawn Thomas: "State your name, please."

John Harvey: "John Harvey."

<u>Dawn Thomas:</u> "Mr. Harvey, do you swear the testimony you about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?"

John Harvey: "I do. I would say that the noise would probably be minimal. The dogs that we would have on site would all be older dogs, a minimal age of 14 months, that from the time they were whelped at eight weeks until the time we would take possession of them at 14 months have been living in several prisons in the metropolitan area.

The dogs would be trained with purposes of explosive protection canine only. They would be on site for a period of about six weeks.

The facility itself would be completely soundproofed and as I said, they are older dogs and very well socialized so I would say that the noise would probably be minimal, sir.

There would be 24 hour people living on the property. I, myself, would be available 24 hours a day if there were any complaints about the noise. But we will take every step we can to minimize and abate any noise that may occur."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Do the— are the dogs— how many dogs are we talking about at one time maximum?"

John Harvey: "Eight, sir."

<u>Councilman Gabrielsen:</u> "My question is on the building itself, now you are going to do renovations and soundproof it. Now is it going to be heated for the winter and—"

<u>John Harvey:</u> Yes, sir. That's primary— you know, one of the primary concerns is that the building would be winterized for the winter and also climate controlled for the summer."

John Harvey: "Yes, sir."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "My concern is that if it got real hot
in there and you're going to run the dogs outside."

John Harvey: "Yes, sir."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Okay."

John Harvey: "Yes, sir."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Do we— are there any other similar facilities in the metropolitan area?"

<u>John Harvey:</u> "None that would be building out. No, sir."

Supervisor Walter: "And so this has been some place before?"

John Harvey: "Yes. I'm sorry. Where I came from, the New York City police department, we have a large facility up in Rodman's Neck in the Bronx. The NYPD canine unit has a facility at Fort Totten, Queens, although the training that would be conducted there is of a different nature.

All of our dogs would be Labrador Retrievers, no German Shepherds or anything like that. No dogs that may be perceived as aggressive and, again, they are very well socialized. So I think that any noise of a barking nature would probably be very minimal."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "How many dogs would be outside at any one time?"

<u>John Harvey:</u> "Well most of the training, sir, would be conducted inside. We're going to have a series of training venues that we would run them through periodically.

Obviously on a nice day, we would have a run that they would, you know, be able to go out and recreate also, but, again, they would not be left out overnight. They would not be left out for extended periods of time and, again, we would have someone there 24 hours a day."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "So if there was a dog barking, that wouldn't last for more than a brief period of time."

<u>John Harvey:</u> "No. We would steps to take, you know, to take the dog and put the dog back inside if there was any barking noise."

John Harvey: "Initially, sir, we'll train them and then-"

Councilman Wooten: "You'll find handlers-"

John Harvey: "-- will be married up with a handler. Wework strictly on a single handler system so once a dog is assigned to a handler, that handler would take the dog home and that dog would live with the handler at home."

Councilman Wooten: "Okay. And come back periodically for additional training as needed?"

<u>John Harvey:</u> "Yes. Periodically. About twice a year they'd come back for what we call sustainment training."

Supervisor Walter: "Is this the only facility that you own then or this is the only facility your group- well, let me retract that. I guess what I'm looking for is- there are similar facilities. Have there been complaints- noise complaints to your knowledge?"

John Harvey: "No, sir. None that I'm aware of."

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "Have any of these facilities been in residential areas? I know you mentioned fort something. We understand that. But are you aware of any that—"

John Harvey: "This is our first facility that we would be building out, sir. So I can only speak to what I know from the police department. We do not have any complaint."

Councilman Dunleavy: "New York City you mention. Their training grounds, is that in a residential or industrial zone?"

<u>John Harvey</u>: "It's on City Island, sir. It's across the water from a residential area. It's actually where we used to do our fire burns, our detonations, but it's probably more distance from homes than 300 feet that—"

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "And it's safe to say those dogs are different type dogs anyway. Those are more— Shepherds more for police work."

<u>John Harvey:</u> "That would be at Fort Totten. Yes, sir. We would strictly be using our (inaudible)."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "And so you don't own the property
yet?"

John Harvey: "No, sir, not as of yet."

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "Is there any threat of the bombs detonating or do you use real bombs or do you use-"

John Harvey: "We would have commercially manufactured explosives, ma'am, but again a bomb is a certain amount of components that are put together to make what we call an improvised explosive device. These would strictly be the explosive to odors that the dogs would need to be trained on.

We are licensed by the ATF. All the explosives would be stored in accordance with ATF regulations and we would have no more than 16 pounds of commercially manufactured explosives on the property.

And, again, they would be in individual magazines that would—there's no way—we wouldn't have any detonators. There's no way that these—they're very stable similar to what our armed forces are carrying overseas so like the chance of them detonating is not there. It wouldn't happen."

<u>Councilman Gabrielsen:</u> "Besides explosives, any other material, chemicals that they're being trained to snuff out? It's just explosives?"

<u>John Harvey:</u> "No. It's explosive detection only. It would only be those commercially manufactured explosives."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay. The board doesn't have any other questions. Do you want to, Tom, put any other information on-criteria, special permit criteria?"

Tom Wolpert: "Just for the record (inaudible)."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay, thank you. If there's nothing else from the applicant, we'll open this up to the residents. Would anybody like to be heard on this? Yes, sir, in the grey."

Chester Kutscher: "Chester Kutscher."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Can you come up to the microphone,
please?"

Chester Kutscher: "My name is Chester Kutscher and I have
concerns."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Can you lift the microphone up,
please?"

Chester Kutscher: "Okay. Traffic is one thing. Where are
you coming and where are you going?"

Supervisor Walter: "I think when they— and I could be wrong, when they addressed us, they said they would limit all their access through Manor Lane on that flag pole, not of Alperty Drive— Main Road, I'm sorry, Main Road, along the flag pole. Is that correct?"

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Would you be limited to that?"

<u>John Harvey:</u> "We would limit it to Main Road, sir."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Okay. I think that's his question."

Supervisor Walter: "Okay. Well, we'll-"

Chester Kutscher: "As far as deliveries and things like
that."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "All right. We'll— if you ask the questions, we'll have them come back up and respond."

<u>Chester Kutscher:</u> "Okay. You went through the training with the explosives, the chemicals and the noise. My bedroom is about 60 feet from the property line. That's where my master bedroom is and—"

Councilman Wooten: "Where's the barn in relation to your
property line?"

<u>Chester Kutscher:</u> "Across the field. But I understand that they are going to let the dogs out. I have nothing about dogs, I have two myself and they bark. But am I going to have eight on the fence there and then I'm only going to have a driveway between us and that's about 30 feet."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Tom, can you lay the site plan out so that the people that are interested can take a look at it and then if there are certain factors like that that may be of concern, there are certain conditions that we can put on the special permit and one of them may be to keep a buffer between your property and the property line of the applicant and where the dogs are allowed to go to. So, has— if anybody has an interest—"

Chester Kutscher: "I'd like to know also how many people will be living in this house or the barn? I'd like to know also if we're going to have any visiting people like from Homeland Security, maybe Joe Biden. Are we going to have any helicopter landings on the field? Are we going to have black SUV's surrounding us? Are we going to go through a background check, the whole neighborhood?

And, you know, we had 9/11 so if that's a possibility. I heard a mention about Fort Totten and City Island and isolated situations and maintaining 60 pounds of explosives— 16 pounds of explosives.

And I mean we had a shooting today at the Pentagon, there was a shooting at, I believe the Marine Museum a day or two ago. Would this be a possible site for a terrorist attack? Just knowing what they're training and what they're doing there."

Supervisor Walter: "We'll have them respond."

Chester Kutscher: "It's far fetched but I'd like to know
about that. And I think that's pretty much it."

Supervisor Walter: "Okay. Anybody else from the public want to— I'm sorry, I forgot the attorney's name. What was your name, sir?"

Ed Bonsignore: "Ed Bonsignore."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Spell it."

Ed Bonsignore: "B-O-N-S-I-G-N-O-R-E."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay. If you can write the questions down as we go. Yes, sir. Step up and just state your name and hamlet for the record."

<u>Dan Zaweski:</u> "My name is Dan Zaweski. I'm speaking on behalf of myself and my father, Walter Zaweski. We adjoin— we own the adjoining parcel to the immediate west. It's approximately 28 acres of farmland covered by a residential house on the Main Road to which this flag lot is immediately adjacent as my house is at the very back end of the property on the north end.

To move this facility in this location, I've got to say is quite bizarre. I'm familiar with certain dog training compounds. We have Canine Companions that are up off Route 112, once again an industrial area. If you've been to a dog training facility it is not a very quiet, peaceful area. The dogs are well behaved. Labradors are nice dogs.

My kids drive back and forth on a golf cart on the adjacent perimeter of this fence where you're going to have 16 pounds of explosives. There is not a commercial facility in one-third mile. All the way around the perimeter is property bordered by residential facilities on three sides and preserved farmland on the fourth.

Why this particular parcel makes any sense for this type of facility is beyond me. I don't understand the logic here. This is a bad, bad move for this area. This is probably one of the most bucolic areas in all of Riverhead.

That's all I have to say."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Great. Thank you. Anybody else like to be heard? Yes, step up, miss."

<u>Crystal Green:</u> "My name is Mrs. Crystal Green and I would like to speak on behalf of Mr. Zaweski also.

We have lived in our house for 12 years this November and I have two very young children that can't play in the front yard because of the heavy traffic on Herricks Lane and the speeding cars. So we frequently use (inaudible) Lane for bike riding and walking and just leisure activities. It's a really nice road and a safe place with the cul de sac down there.

So I just feel that this location should be in a better site. I mean this is our neighborhood. This is our residence. And I just hope that you know my children— I'd like them to be in a nice place. I don't want a dog kennel facility there with dangerous things or things happening.

So as a mom, that's what I hope wouldn't happen."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Thank you. Anybody else wish to be heard? Hold on, sir."

Chris Brincat: "My name is Chris Brincat. I live on 207
Herricks Lane.

My name is Chris Brincat. I live on 207 Herricks Lane.

Mr. Harvey, I've recently spoken with David Booth on the phone last week and was hoping to get in contact with you, he had mentioned to speak with you.

I have grown up on military bases surrounded by military trained canine units and such (inaudible). I'm very familiar with these types of animals and to a certain degree some of their training.

One of the things that you had mentioned tonight contradicted with Mr. Booth when I spoke with him on the phone and one of my concerns was the noise from the explosive training and/or the bomb sniffing and he had mentioned to me that there would be no substance of any sort that was dangerous to the neighborhood and you had said tonight that— I believe you had said 16 pounds would be kept on the premise.

Mr. Booth had convinced me that at no point would there be any type of explosives, chemical or of any sort. I'd like to hear what you have to say to the contradiction on that to Mr. Booth.

He assured me from my previous experiences that in today's training they use special scents that are in no way of any type of chemical or explosive nature at all.

Thank you."

Supervisor Walter: "Okay. Thank you. Does anybody else wish

to be heard? A gentleman over here."

Frank Ehrenfeld: "Good evening, my name is Frank Ehrenfeld and I reside at 1814 Main Road which is one of the three flag lots, the flag poles of which make up ingress and egress from the Main Road to the three different residences.

Right now, because it's strictly residential, there's very few cars up and down except for the people that live there and an occasional friend.

 ${\tt I'm}$ wondering what the increase in vehicular traffic will be along this road.

The three residences are obligated to maintain this particular road and $I^{\prime}d$ like to know what the folks here would intend to do by way of continuing to maintain the road.

That's really all— my particular thing is the increase in traffic possibility and deterioration of the road because of the potential for increase of activity."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Do you use the same road that they use to access your property?"

<u>Frank Ehrenfeld:</u> "Yes. This road is a private road. It's made up of three 15 foot flagpoles and the traveled way meanders down basically the center of these three flagpoles and that's really it.

My concern is the increase in traffic- trucks."

Supervisor Walter: "Okay, thank you. Yes."

<u>Dominique Mendez:</u> "Hi. Dominique Mendez, Riverhead Neighborhood Preservation Coalition. I just wanted to say that, you know, as a coalition we definitely hope that the board really listens to all these neighborhood concerns.

It seems like although they may claim that, you know, noise may not be an issue, I think that's something— that I'm hoping the board and maybe others will do more research into.

The explosives in a residential area obviously could pose a

problem. Again, I hope there's more research into that before, you know, proceeding unless the whole idea is just discounted based on, you know, this hearing.

In addition, I wonder this is a— the specially permitted use here, is it dog kennel and is this just a dog kennel or dog training facility? Is this really what is a specially permitted use or is this something a bit different? It seems more than a dog kennel, so I'm wondering if it is even a literally specially permitted use."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "I think it's a specially permitted use according to the Riverhead town code as set forth in the master plan."

Dominiquez Mendez: "Because it's solely a dog kennel?"

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Because it's— it fits the criteria— I'm not going to say it fits the criteria. It is defined as a— I don't know how we define it as a kennel."

(Inaudible comment by Dawn Thomas)

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Commercial kennel. Sounds like a commercial kennel to me."

<u>Dominique Mendez:</u> "I don't know. I thought it was also a training facility with explosives. It's a little different than what you think of as a dog kennel. So I'm not sure that it's the same thing."

Supervisor Walter: "Okay, well, thank you."

Dominique Mendez: "Maybe you guys are but I wanted to bring
that up."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Most dog kennels don't have
explosives in them."

Dominique Mendez: "Right. And they're not training
facilities."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "(Inaudible). I understand what
you're saying."

<u>Dominique Mendez:</u> "Yeah. So I'm not sure that it is quite just a dog kennel and is really a specially permitted use and I wanted to bring that point up. Thank you."

Supervisor Walter: "Does anybody else wish to be heard?
Yes."

Mildred Ehrenfeld: "Hi. I'm Mildred Ehrenfeld, Frank's wife. I live at 1814 Main Road and I just want to add something about the flag lot.

Our flag lots are individually owned at 15 feet. We have a covenant that says that we all must maintain it financially together. If you are changing for a variance, that becomes somewhat commercial, is there a possibility that we now will be financially responsible for their enhancing a dirt bumpy road that has runoff that I think you have to talk to the farm bureau about increased activity there because we have runoff from the farm, from Mr. Zaweksi.

And also I want you to note that they did not post on the correct address. There was no posting on Main Road, and that we were not by any lawyers called and told this is— we're legally connected to their (inaudible). So when you change their zoning or variance or whatever special use, in effect you are affecting us.

We live in a pristine place. People buy our real estate if we wanted to sell it because it's pristine, not because it's a dog training center or a commercial dog training center as you're calling it.

So the value of our homes, every one around us, is going to go down because— in my opinion."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Can I ask you a question? You
actually own half that road, it's a right of way."

Mildred Ehrenfeld: "They own 15 feet; we own 15 feet and the-raise your hand everyone that owns 15 feet, get in on this. And we all legally— what it says is that we all have to share the cost of anything that happens. So if they've got to get drains on it and they've got to get pavement because you guys change it then we— and that would be over \$200,000 for a road to be paved and that would mean we get one—third of the \$200,000 and its further maintenance.

I want to know if that's a possibility. Can I go?"

Supervisor Walter: "Yes."

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "Dawn, can you get (inaudible)? Get me a definition between kennel and dog training facility, if there's ayou don't have to get it now."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "They probably don't define that. That's something you'd have to go to the zoning board of appeals to get."

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "You know, because actually it's not a kennel. It's going to be a dog training facility. I can't board my dog there. So I mean it's just going to be a training facility."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Can— does anybody else wish to be heard on this? Yes, sir. State your name and hamlet."

Steve Peyser: "If I can submit this first to all the board
members. My name is Steve Peyser. I live on Alperty Road."

Supervisor Walter: "Spell your last name, sir."

Steve Pevser: "P-E-Y-S-E-R."

Supervisor Walter: "Go ahead, sir."

Steve Peyser: "The applicant's property is zoned ZPZ. Applicant seeks a special use permit to use the property as a commercial kennel. However, the applicant's proposal is not for a commercial kennel but for a specialized training facility for dogs, including the use of explosives.

This requested use is not a listed specially permitted use in the APZ zone.

According to a special permit use, it must be denied.

The applicant's proper remedy is a zone change or amendment of the zoning ordinance to list the requested use as a specially permitted use. This application for a special permit use not listed in the town ordinance must fail.

Should the town board choose to improperly proceed, this

application must in any event be denied upon a fair application of the criteria which must be considered in regard to a request for a special permit use.

The town code instructs the board to consider all material factors including the suitability of the parcel, its sufficiency, appropriateness, adequacy and access, the existence of buffers to protect adjacent property, the avoidance of noise and odor and the adequacy of provisions for emergencies. (Section 108-133.5)

In applying these criteria, the board must consider that the applicant's parcel is not part of a large remote farm area, but is actually a lot in a residential subdivision immediately adjacent to another residential subdivision.

The special use proposed is unlisted, unsuitable and inappropriate in light of the general character of the immediately surrounding neighborhood.

As noted, the special permit use proposed is not a listed special permit use. Should the board, however, improperly disregard this fact and proceed, it should provide special conditions and safeguards required for the particular use. (Section 108-133.6)

The town board should also include certain reasonable restrictions. (Section 108-133.6)

These conditions, safeguards and restrictions should include:

- 1. Limitation on the square footage to be used (within the barn and outside of the barn)
 - 2. A statement of maximum occupancy (eight dogs or less)
- 3. A statement of maximum occupancy of handlers and other staff
 - 4. Limitation of the hours of operation
 - 5. Limitations and safeguards as to the use of explosives
 - 6. Limitation as to noise and odor
 - 7. Requirement of on site residency by handler

- 8. Limitation of access to Subdivision right of way
- 9. Restriction as to the scope of the operation and prohibition of expansion of the operation
- 10. A reservation of town access to enforce conditions, restrictions and safeguards.

I request that the town board keep open this hearing for written comment for 10 days so that additional comments can be made by neighbors in response to the applicant's presentation this evening.

I would also like to state for the record that we the residents of this area of Long Island's north fork, whether natives or transplants, (inaudible) by choice, and have chosen so in large part for its mixture of farmland—residential mixtures not to be in the middle of a commercial use business.

We the primary use residents could have chosen to live in any one of hundreds of locations on Long Island that are commercial residential use zones. We have chosen not to do so by choosing Jamesport as where to live and raise our families.

In considering this permit I hope the members of this board consider the residents next to a nearby as if they themselves lived here.

Furthermore understanding and most likely customers of this commercial business would be in and around cities like New York City, the applicant would be 86 miles from New York City in Jamesport.

If they chose a location equal to that 86 miles, they would put themselves in rural Catskills or rural Pennsylvania where there is a greater chance of being in a non-residential use community."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Would anybody else like to be heard on this? Yes, go ahead, sir."

Bill Cardaci: "My name is Bill Cardaci. I live right next door to the-"

Supervisor Walter: "Could you spell the last name, sir?"

<u>Bill Cardaci:</u> "C-A-R-D-A-C-I. And they said that it's on eight dogs at one time. Was that eight dogs for the year? I mean that's an awful lot of money for eight dogs. You could put them up in a hotel to do this. I have one Lab and I can't keep them quiet. And they're going to have eight to say— and it's a kennel, a training facility. We don't know what's going on yet.

I mean, what's that place over there? On River Road. Kent. You can't drive— you can't walk near that place without those dogs going crazy. And we're going to have the same problem and the traffic coming in and out with the roads as they had discussed.

I mean you can't come down the road now, it's, you know, it's got to be repaired every year. And it's only going to get worse if they do it this way.

I really don't think it's a good idea. Like I says, I'm right next door to it and I really don't want to see it."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay, thank you, sir. Anybody else like to be heard?"

Robert Napoli: "Good evening, town board. My name is Robert Napoli. I live at 177 Herricks Lane on the corner of Alaperty, just east of the Stapleton Association proposed kennel.

In reference to the special use permit requested by Stapleton Associates, being one of the property owners who received a certified letter, I'd like to register my disapproval of this use.

Like most Riverhead residents, we value our quiet neighborhood and regardless of any guarantees that Stapleton Associates may give, no one can control a dog's bark.

I recently had a guest at our home from Pennsylvania and we were discussing the fact that my home was on one acre as per zoning in Riverhead. He wryly observed one house at one acre must impact our taxes and my comment was that is the price we pay for the quality of life we so highly value in the town of Riverhead.

I see no positive impact in the granting of this permit. We value our quality of life and have deep convictions that a kennel with its inherent barking will affect that quality of life.

I hope this brief presentation will convince the town board members to (inaudible) your local constituency's strong feelings against the granting of the special use permit.

Thank you."

Supervisor Walter: "Sir, you wanted to be heard."

<u>David McClaren:</u> "Good evening. My name is David McClaren. I reside at 799 Manor Lane in Jamesport. I'm here representing my wife, Ellen Gabrielsen, and my brother-in-law Walter Gabrielsen who each have a building lot on the eastern edge of the property in question on this permit.

And I'm here to represent their concern about noise and animal, you know, feces and things like that as a potential, you know, drawback in our ability to want to sell these lots or build on them as far as the value of this property.

And also as a member of the Long Island Farm Bureau, I know under the APZ zone this is not a permitted use. It's a commercial, that you're not an agricultural venture so I'm here to oppose this application, if granted."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Thank you. Does anybody else wish to be heard on the application? Okay, we'll have the applicant get up and if you could respond to the questions, that would be great.

Are you an attorney, sir?"

Edward Bonsignore: "Yes."

Supervisor Walter: "Listen to our attorney for a second."

(Inaudible comment by Dawn Thomas)

Edward Bonsignore: "Some of the concerns obviously are with traffic. I'm going to let the engineer, Tom, come up and speak to that after I (inaudible) to the other concerns.

Another concern that was just mentioned happened to be with the feces or the smells. Obviously there's going to be a commercial waste company that removes the waste from these canines. There will only be eight dogs there at one time. I believe the impact on the

property would be less than what it is now where it's actually a horse ring that's there.

There is inner containment along with the foliage on the outside of the property. Now as the dogs, yes, they may bark but there is going to be someone there 24 hours a day even when the handlers aren't there. There will be a caretaker, there's a young disabled Marine that Mr. Harvey has hired who will actually live there. He will be the only person living at the facility.

He'll be there in charge of the grounds. During the daytime, there may be as many as eight cars that may come in and I'm going to have Tom explain how the cars will be coming and going. But as far as the smells, that's going to be commercially removed.

As far as barking, there will always be someone there. We're going to have a 24 hour hotline in case any neighbors or anyone has any concerns and Mr. Harvey, who is the director of canine operations, he's a former NYPD bomb squad technician has a military background. He will make himself available to alleviate any concerns that anyone may have personally. He is the one that's going to supervise this operation.

Okay. There was also some concern about visitors from Homeland Security. Yes, Stapleton Associates, they are licensed by the Department of Homeland Security. I don't- we don't expect anyone in black suits to be showing up in black SUV's, late hours during the night.

Although they are licensed, they will come in and inspect the facility from time to time. It will be just an inspection.

As far as what they're coming for to inspect, these explosives and explosive locker. Yes, there may be 16 pounds of explosives. That's less than what's on the average farm and there are no detonation caps so the explosives are there for the smells. They're kept separate and they can't be detonated unless there's a cap actually there to detonate them.

People had concerns about their children riding the bikes in the area and, again, there is inner containment and there is foliage. There will always be someone there.

When the dogs are being trained, they will be with their

handlers or if they're just being exercised, the caretaker will be there with them on the property. They will not be left unattended. There will be a 24 hour hotline where you could call if you have any concerns.

At this time, I would like to ask Tom Wolpert to come up and just please speak how the traffic will work as far as coming in and out and entering the facility. There should be never more than eight cars a day coming and going from the facility and that would be for the eight handlers."

Supervisor Walter: "Could I just ask you a quick question? I'd like to get a— either submit a copy of the C&R search for the property and the affidavit of posting, there may be some discrepancy. Do you have a copy of the affidavit of posting? Do you have one with you, Tom? Could you give me a copy of that to look at? I want to see whether we even have jurisdiction. If it's not posted properly, we may not even have jurisdiction for the hearing. Do you have that here? If I could look at it. I'll give it right back to you, it's not a problem.

We can make a copy. It's just the clerk's office is locked and we can't send Diane on her way."

Councilman Dunleavy: "While he's getting— I have one fast question. I'm concerned with what the other residents are concerned about, you have a 15 foot right of way that you're in charge of and the other two residents are in charge of the other 15 foot. With this increased traffic, how are you going to handle the repair of that road with the increased traffic that that road is going to take and will these other residents have to share in that repair?"

Tom Wolpert: "Councilman, it was my understanding that the trainers would be entering and exiting the facility from the actual Main Street not from the right of way. However, if there was any—"

<u>Councilman Gabrielsen:</u> "No, it's the same one. Main Street is the right of way. So you've got your roads flipped."

Tom Wolpert: "Oh, I'm sorry. You know, John, if you want to come up, I'm sure Stapleton Associates would, you know, certainly would maintain the property and anything that needed to be fixed, repaired or drains put in. We don't—we wouldn't expect to be any more than eight cars coming and going a day so there shouldn't be

any damage to it.

And as far as the actual property is concerned, there's not going to be any needed drainage or anything because there's only eight canines that will be at the facility at one time and the waste will all be carted away. But, John, did you want to come up now— "

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Any maybe we could ask the question about the explosives, whether they are there or not there? Yeah, go ahead."

<u>John Harvey:</u> "I want to thank everybody for the opportunity to allow us to explain what we want to do with this project and, again, I really appreciate all the concerns that have been raised.

I have a young family, too. I'm born and raised in Long Island. One of the reasons that I wanted to do the facility on Long Island is because this would become now my primary place to report for work.

If I can just clarify a couple things. The gentleman wanted to know how many people would be living on the property. If I could just clarify and I apologize, Mr. Bonsignore, I didn't make this clear to you.

There will be three full time people living on the property. There's a retired ATF agent, Zane Roberts and his wife. They're both in their fifties and there's a young Marine, Shawn DuBois (phonetic) who would be hired. We'd be training him. He's a wounded Marine, he was awarded the Silver Star in Iraq. He would also be on the property. Those are the only three people that would be full time residents.

In terms of daily traffic, the only other car that would be coming on a daily basis would be me until such time as the dogs were ready to be married up with their handlers. At that time, they would— the traffic may be increased and what I would do is I would just tell the handlers that they would have to car pool. And they would come and go for a period of about a week. Until that time when they were married up with their dog, they spend a week orientation with the dog and then that would be it.

There would be no excessive traffic. Any damage to the roadway that was caused by any increased use of us, by construction vehicles

initially when we're doing the build out or anything that would directly impact on the road, I assure you, I'm under oath, Michael Stapleton Associates would absorb any cost for any damage to the road.

One of the reasons we like this property is I thought it was very private and I thought that we wouldn't impact negatively on the residents. We do want to be good neighbors. We do want to address any concerns that you might have.

The gentleman that asked about, that had spoken to Mr. Booth, I apologize for the confusion. David Booth is our (inaudible) director. He really wasn't qualified to answer the question that you had posed to him. I apologize that I was not able to get to you and answer those questions in a timely fashion.

What David was referring to is the handlers to carry a substance called NEST, non-explosive substance for testing and training, excuse me, I'm getting nervous. Non-explosive substance for testing and training. It is an explosive compound but it is designated non-hazardous by the Department of Transportation. So we can safely transport it. We can bring it on planes; we can bring it on buses, planes, we can carry it within the confines of the city.

The reason that we would need to have real or commercially manufactured explosives on the property is that all these dogs need to have these odors well seeded in their brain to enable them to do their job and do their job effectively especially in a post 9/11 world.

NSA has been in business since 1987. We did do explosives training. In fact, we acquired our first dog back in 1991. I retired from the bomb squad in 2002 and took over the job as director of the canine operation.

So that is why, and we want to be completely transparent. The explosives would be stored in accordance with the Bureau of Alcohol and Firearms. They would only be handled—only two people would be allowed to handle them. They would be in a magazine that is certified by ATF before they issue a magazine storage permit. So it's not anything that would be able to—children or anybody would have access to.

Again, and we would maintain the 24 hour presence on the

property. The dogs— you mentioned (inaudible). These dogs do not in any way train in any kind of control capacity. It's explosive detection only and one of the reasons that our company has been doing the kind of work we're doing is that we do train dogs properly.

There are companies that will train their dogs only on powders, black powder, smokeless powder but that doesn't allow the dog to effectively do its job in the areas.

We have canine teams assigned to the United States Military Academy at West Point, we work for the United States Marshal Service, we work with the Department of Justice down in Washington. We are a very reputable company.

And I show you any concerns that people would have about the work we were doing, I would be happy to address in a more casual setting or more formal setting. We want to be good neighbors. I'm from Long Island. I don't want to move up to rural Catskills, I'll be very honest about that. I like Long Island. I really like this community. We do want to be good neighbors and we want to participate in the regeneration of Riverhead and that's one of the reasons why we really do like to be out here.

And I understand every concern that everybody raised was more than legitimate and I'm not offended by any of the questions or comments that were made. I want to be completely transparent with what we were doing.

We have a complete open door policy. You would be allowed to visit us at any time, any resident would be allowed to visit us at any time, day or night if there's any concern or question they might have that I haven't, you know, effectively answered.

I'm not sure if I— there were so many questions. I'm not sure if I— " $\,$

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "John, I think you got most of them. Mr. Wolpert, do you want to have Mr. Wolpert step up then?"

Tom Wolpert: "Yeah, as an engineer we would consult with the Institute of Traffic Engineers Manual to try and predict what the traffic generation would be from a facility of this type but the ITE manual does not specifically cover every application and so,

therefore, I think the answer you're looking for with regard to traffic generation shouldn't come from the engineer but John Harvey who is the director of operations would be more familiar. It's more of an operations thing than an engineer taking a number from a manual."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay. I— if there's no— I don't want to limit anybody but we want to take people with new information. Is there new information that somebody wants— yeah, I will let you come up. Stand by for a moment.

Is there anybody who has not spoken and that would like to add something new to this? If not, go ahead."

Mildred Ehrenfeld: "I'm really sorry to take your time, but it seems that nobody has really any idea what this road looks like.

This is a little dirt driveway that winds around that if there are— I think perhaps this neighbor here goes up and down each time, maybe her son goes twice. If we have more than five cars going back and forth total in a day, that's a lot. And the dirt that comes up into our homes is enormous. The road itself is very precarious. It floods from the farm fields, it has dirt, it's a very precarious situation. This is not a road.

And not only that, who's going to pay for the feasibility study for what the value of our homes is going to depreciate having a commercial institution around us?"

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay, thank you. There's no other— is it new information? Go ahead."

Steve Peyser: "New information. I'd like to know if this Michael Stapleton is a real person or just a corporation name. Is it a human being that we could see, look at in the eyes, like I'm doing now.

These dogs are not going to be trained in a glass world. They're telling us there's never going to be an explosion. They're going to go out in the field to sniff explosives and the first time a bomb does go off, they're not trained for it, they're going to go freaked out.

So they're never going to have an explosive. They train them

in a real world and anybody thinks that our values are not going to go down, our property, is kidding themselves or trying to kid us. As soon as a buyer finds out what facility is here, they're going to run away so fast we are going to be stuck with our homes.

Thank you."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "All right. If the applicant doesn't have any other new information, I will— we can close the public comment and leave it open for written comment until the 29th, October 29th, at 4:30 p.m. And we'd like to— you're going to have to submit some more information as to where this was posted.

We see— we've heard testimony, Tom— Mr. Wolpert that this was posted on Aliperti and maybe not Main Road. If you could submit some additional information in the form of an affidavit, maybe a picture of the posting, that would be wonderful. Okay?

Tom, where were they posted?"

<u>Tom Wolpert:</u> "The property was posted on September $23^{\rm rd}$ on the picket fence at the end of Aliperti Lane and I have a picture from September $23^{\rm rd}$, the day the sign was posted and I also have a photograph that was taken this afternoon showing the sign was still in place."

Supervisor Walter: "But the physical address is 1810 Main Road."

Tom Wolpert: "Yeah, well, that's the address of the property
from the assessor's office. Correct."

Supervisor Walter: "Is that the access point then from Main?"

Tom Wolpert: "Well, there's two accesses. This property has
access from Main Road and it has access from Aliperti."

Supervisor Walter: "Okay. So, yes, Miss- you have to stand up."

Linda Nemeth: "My name is Linda Nemeth. I live in Calverton. And I'm wondering instead of going through all of this without considering other properties, there are amazing pieces of property which are not near residents in Calverton on Edwards Avenue. And

(inaudible) what about considering other properties?"

Supervisor Walter: "It's interesting, because I was thinking the same thing. The kennel club on Edwards Avenue would be fantastic. That's not for us to decide but it's an interesting, although it's a very large tract of property but then maybe somemaybe a better location over on Edwards Avenue where there is actually a kennel, but what we'll do is if there's no other new information, we'll leave this—we'll close the public comment portion and leave it open for written comment until October 29th at 4:30 p.m., bring it into the town clerk's office and thank you."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "It's for written comment only. You submit it, you have 10 days to submit written comment but just as you suggested, you can do it by mail as well or fax it. All right."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Yes. Yes. We will make the file available. I mean normally we use a FOIL policy but if you come to the town clerk's office, she'll make it available to look at."

Unidentified: "Can you tell me what FOIL means?"

Supervisor Walter: "Freedom of Information Act. There's a form that we may ask you to fill out just so we have a record that you looked at the file. But you can look at the file in the town clerk's office on the 29th at 4:00 so you'll know everything that's there or the following Monday if you wish."

<u>Unidentified:</u> "There just seems to be too many other good options (inaudible)."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay, thank you very much. You can make the written comment and Tom and everybody if you'd like to submit other written materials, feel free to submit them.

Thank you."

Public hearing closed: 8:00 p.m.

Left open for 10 days for written comment until October 29, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.

Public hearing opened: 8:00 p.m.

Supervisor Walter: "The next hearing is scheduled for 7:10; 7:10 having come and gone we have a consideration of the extension No. 89, Peconic River Sportsman's Club located on River Road, Manorville, to the Riverhead water district.

Sir, the hearing's closed but if you want-- Mr. Wolpert, if you could take that outside so he can take a look at it that would be fine.

Okay, we've officially opened up the hearing and on behalf of the Riverhead water district, Mr. Kelleher."

<u>Dennis Kelleher:</u> "My name is Dennis Kelleher from the engineering firm of H2M. We are the consulting engineers for the Riverhead water district.

The hearing tonight has to do with the extension of the Riverhead water district for the Peconic River Sportsman's Club. Several months ago, the US Navy approached the Riverhead water district about the possibility of extending public water of the Riverhead water district to the Peconic River Sportsman's Club.

The US Navy is concerned that the Sportsman's Club which has a single individual supply well that supplies water just to the Sportsman's Club may become contaminated from some plume that originates from the Grumman property.

So the Riverhead water district has contact our firm to prepare an engineering report to figure out the best way to provide water to the Peconic River Sportsman's Club.

On the board, I've highlighted in the existing— highlighted in blue to the top left corner is the existing Riverhead water district main closest to the subject property.

It's a 12 inch line that runs through the EPCAL facility onto

Grumman Blvd. In order to provide water to the Sportsman's Club, we would need to run approximately 5,000 feet of 12 inch line which is highlighted in green on the plan along Grumman Blvd./River Road.

The water use for the property at the Sportsman's Club is approximately equal to one single family home so we figure approximately 300 gallons per day, maybe maximum 600 gallons per day on a maximum day."

Supervisor Walter: "What size main is that?"

<u>Dennis Kelleher:</u> "Actually the Riverhead water district regulations is we do whatever is required for fire flow and for the future needs of Riverhead water district. So the proposed main is 12 inch, so it's going to be transmission really not just to provide water to the Sportsman Club but to provide water to anybody beyond at a future date.

The estimated cost of installing the 5,000 feet of pipe plus hydrants and valves including inspection, design and key money fee is estimated at \$500,000.

The US Navy has offered to pay the entire cost of this project, no cost to the residents of the Riverhead water district and no cost to the Sportsman's Club."

Councilman Wooten: "Including key money?"

Dennis Kelleher: "That includes key money or approximately
\$6,000 because it's only equivalent to one single family home.

Because the property is outside the Riverhead water district boundaries, a formal application to NYS DEC needs to be made. Actually a copy of this report was sent with an application to NYS DEC in Stony Brook approximately two weeks ago and we're expecting a response to it.

And that's it."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "I have a question. So your fees, H2M, will be included in that (inaudible)?"

<u>Dennis Kelleher:</u> "The cost of me coming to this hearing here tonight, the actual design of the water main, the inspection of the

water main, and administrative fees for the Riverhead water district and the town are all included in that \$500,000."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Excellent."

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "So the 12 inch main I guess will run along the right of way on the north side of River Road or the south side of River Road? Are you going to snake it under? Will there be any (inaudible)."

<u>Dennis Kelleher:</u> "The detailed design has not been conducted yet but what we try to do is find the most cost effective way to install the pipe and most of the time we put it in shoulder of the road, trying to minimize any of the road restoration that would be required."

<u>Councilwoman Giglio</u>: "Yeah. Because the road is in terrible disrepair, River Road, and so, I'm sure you're aware of it."

Dennis Kelleher: "Whenever we do a job like that, you know, we'll put— if we put the water main in the road, we'll have a nice four foot wide trench that we then would put asphalt on and the rest of the road is crumbling and that's when people say why don't you do the whole road. So we actually prefer going off to the side of the road and our estimate includes a little bit of money for final restoration. Most of it is going to be off the road."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Okay. But my concern is that the access to Riverhead or to EPCAL, River Road is a heavily traveled road by everybody that goes to work at the site and that the trucks that come off the expressway down River Road to get to the site, if there were a truck that went off the road or parked on the side of the road, I mean I'm sure you're going to go down deep enough to where it's going to be load bearing for traffic."

<u>Dennis Kelleher:</u> "Yes. A water main that we install anywhere in Riverhead is at least four inches deep— actually four feet deep to protect them from freezing and it would have no effect (inaudible) the heavy duty trucks riding on top."

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "Okay. And if the road were to be expanded at a later date, it could go over the main?"

Dennis Kelleher: "That is correct."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Okay."

Dennis Kelleher: "Probably throughout Riverhead half of the
water main is within the roads."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Thank you."

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "One question. This is a— we have a lot of firemen here, this is also good if we have any brush areas in that area."

Dennis Kelleher: "That is correct."

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "To supply water to that end of town which is only supplied by wells right now."

<u>Dennis Kelleher:</u> "That is correct. Along the 5,000 feet of pipe that would be laid, we'll be installing five fire hydrants along the way."

Councilman Dunleavy: "I was going to ask you how many.
Five?"

Dennis Kelleher: "Yes, correct."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Thank you."

Supervisor Walter; "Thank you, Mr. Kelleher."

Dennis Kelleher: "I feel confident in saying yes
(inaudible)."

Councilman Wooten: "Okay, good. All right."

<u>Councilwoman Giglio</u> "I know that the Sportsman's Club will be thrilled to have Riverhead water to drink."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Everyone loves Riverhead water, especially the firefighters we have with us tonight."

Councilwoman Giglio: "They've been trying for this for a long

time."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Yes. Does anybody else wish to be heard on this public hearing? There being nobody, we will close the public comment portion and leave it open for written comment until October 29th at 4: 30 p.m. in the town clerk's office.

Thank you very much."

Public hearing closed: 8:08 p.m. Left open for written comment for 10 days to Friday, October 29, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "We open up the public portion of the meeting for comments on the town board resolutions only. A familiar face. Sal."

Sal Mastropaolo: "Sal Mastropaolo, Calverton."

Supervisor Walter: "How are you doing, Sal?"

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "Great. CDA Resolution 21. I noticed that the land that you want to give to the YMCA, it says grant of land. Does that mean title changes?"

Supervisor Walter: "Yes."

Sal Mastropaolo: "If the title changes, does that property go
on the tax rolls?"

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Yes, for as much as the YMCA would be on the tax rolls."

Sal Mastropaolo: "Has the town considered rather than granting the land giving them a one dollar a year lease, maintaining ownership of the property so that if the YMCA ever closes down, Riverhead— the property reverts back to Riverhead or Riverhead still owns the property."

Supervisor Walter: "I think that's something we discussed

that if they closed it down, the property would-- "

<u>Councilman Gabrielsen:</u> "Yeah, revert back to us. If the project wasn't built within say two years, it would revert right back to us."

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "Okay. What about 10 years out they decide to sell it?"

Supervisor Walter: "Well, I think-"

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "That's an asset that the town no longer has ownership of, they own it."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "We spoke to them. This is the very preliminary stages of getting this done. We spoke to them about a reverter clause, an absolute-- he's talking-- Mr. Councilman Gabrielsen I think is talking about if they didn't build it, but if-

<u>Councilman Gabrielsen:</u> "But if they abandoned it, it would have to revert back to us. It's not for profit at all."

Sal Mastropaolo: "I'm talking about 25 years out. It's a
going enterprise and they decide to sell it to some private- "

(Some inaudible discussion)

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Right. And they don't have
intentions to lease, they want to own."

Councilman Dunleavy: "They don't want to least it, they want
to own it."

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "Well, I don't care what they want. I'm worried about what the town residents want. Okay?"

<u>Councilman Gabrielsen:</u> "We're just trying to explain, you mentioned leasing. I'm saying they don't want to lease, they (inaudible)."

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "I would think that it would be to the town of Riverhead's benefit to lease it rather than grant it over to them. That's all I'm saying."

Supervisor Walter: "It would be but they wouldn't go for that and—"

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "Let them go elsewhere."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "-- I have to say having the YMCA in Riverhead is a huge asset to this town and you would be able to walk to it very easily and swim."

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "Oh, yes. Just like I can walk to the walking trail that they still haven't opened the gates."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Oh, you can in there. There's plenty of spots inside the fence. Come on, Sal."

Sal Mastropaolo: "Not east of the incubator.

Resolution 785. I just have a question about the value of the property on 58 versus the value of the property that the Riverhead fire district is going to swap for it.

Is it— are they of equal value or are we getting anything more than— "

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "To the town of Riverhead they're of equal value. To the appraisers they're of different value. If we are--"

Councilman Wooten: "No."

Councilman Dunleavy: "No. It's opposite."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Well, only because of the zoning."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Don't say too much. There's a lot of fire fighters in the room."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Sal, only because of the zoning."

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "Okay. 787. The public notice. The second item down, Hulse Landing Road. It says from its intersection with 15th Street in a northerly direction to its intersection with North

Wading River Road. Well, the first problem is that it only says the west side. All of the parking illegally on the weekends happens on the east side."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "That's the next— there's another resolution."

Sal Mastropaolo: "Yes. But if you don't— the next resolution says, you're talking about the one where parking is otherwise prohibited. Well, you didn't prohibit it on the east side in Resolution 787 so when you get to 788 it hasn't been prohibited on the east side. So unless you make it on the east and west side, okay, this one— "

Supervisor Walter: "We're making it parking by permit only on the-"

Sal Mastropaolo: "That's on the next one."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Correct. But it's two separate public hearings to be held the same day. In theory if we do it right, and adopted the same day."

Sal Mastropaolo: "My concern is-"

Councilwoman Giglio: "He's saying that it has to be
prohibited on the first one in order to be-"

Supervisor Walter: "I know what he's saying. I just don't know why he's saying it."

Sal Mastropaolo: "Because the problem is on the east side, not on the west side of the road and if you don't put the signs on the east side of the road then it doesn't say that it's prohibited."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Then we didn't do our job."

Sal Mastropaolo: "That's my point."

Supervisor Walter: "But we're going to do our job."

Sal Mastropaolo: "I think the attachment, the public notice,
needs to say east and west side of Hulse Landing Road."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "But that would undo-- we're having a public hearing to make it parking by permit only on the east side so if we adopt both- if we don't adopt both, then you have a right to say something, but if we adopt both we've accomplished our goal. Correct?"

Sal Mastropaolo: "Okay. All right. The next resolution, 788, okay. North Wading River Road, both sides, from its-- from a point at its intersection with Wildwood Road, okay, in a northwesterly direction to its intersection with Hulse Landing Road.

Well, first of all, you can't go northwesterly from Wildwood Road and get to Hulse Landing Road."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "That would be northeasterly."

Sal Mastropaolo: "Yes. And that's only a strip of about 65
feet."

Supervisor Walter: "Okay, well-- "

Sal Mastropaolo: "What you really need is on North Wading
River Road-- "

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Hold on because let's fix this. Let's make this northeasterly."

Sal Mastropaolo: "Well, I was going to give you a suggestion
that would fix the problem even better."

Supervisor Walter: "Okay."

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "That should say from the entrance to Wildwood State Park west to the intersection of Wildwood Road no parking on both sides of North Wading River Road. Okay? Because the problem is in the strip of property from Hulse Landing Road up to Wildwood State Park, there's parking over there as well."

Supervisor Walter: "We made that parking by-"

Sal Mastropaolo: "Out of state— you didn't cover that yet.
Right?"

Supervisor Walter: "Okay, so I'm-- the triangle piece-- "

Sal Mastropaolo: "Yes, the triangle piece."

Supervisor Walter: "That's covered. You're happy with that?"

Sal Mastropaolo: "No, because you haven't addressed it. Where did you address it? Show me where you addressed it. Not in this one, not in 788 because you said from Hulse Landing Road to Wildwood Road which is a strip of about 65 feet long. That's from Bertollo's Rentals to Hulse Landing. The problem is also from Hulse Landing to the entrance to Wildwood State Park."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Yeah. That's what it should say. To the intersection -- so it should say -- "

Sal Mastropaolo: "It should say from the entrance of Wildwood State Park easterly to the intersection of Wildwood Road."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "All right. Let's write this. From--westerly--we're going in the other direction."

Sal Mastropaolo: "I'm sorry, westerly to the intersection of
Wildwood Road."

Supervisor Walter: "I'm writing it down."

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "I think what the problem is, Sal, to be honest with you. I think— I know Bertolla's property. I think they're thinking Wildwood Road is that road into the park."

Sal Mastropaolo: "It's not."

Councilman Wooten: "It's not."

Councilman Wooten: "Right. I think (inaudible)."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "And I think you're right. That's exactly—because the next sentence, okay—"

Councilman Wooten: "Considering that strip of land to be
(inaudible) Road."

Supervisor Walter: "So we're calling it from the— say it
again. From the— "

Supervisor Walter: "Hold on. Of Wildwood State Park
westerly-- "

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "To the intersection of North Country--North Wading River Road and Wildwood Road."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Intersection of North Wading River Road to—that works. To the intersection of North Wading River Road to Wildwood Road."

Sal Mastropaolo: "And Wildwood Road."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "But then we should take out this whole Wildwood Road from the intersection of Hulse Landing Road."

Sal Mastropaolo: "Yeah, you don't need that."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "You're right. I don't know why that was—somebody said that that was Wildwood Road. It must be somebody from Jamesport.

We have that fixed?"

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "Yes. Well, if you— 799. There's three resolutions here where you're going out for bid, 799, 800 and 801."

Supervisor Walter: "Hold on- let me- let's get there. 799-"

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "800 and 801. They all give one week response. Okay? Generally when you go out for bid you give at least two weeks and in one of the earlier resolutions you gave them until November 19th which was three weeks. It's my suggestion is it should be at least two weeks. Okay?"

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Well, we're not going award it until the next board meeting which is more than 10 days, right?"

(Some inaudible discussion)

Supervisor Walter: "Why don't we do them all to November 5^{th} ?"

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "Yeah, those three, 799, 800 and 801. But there was an earlier one, okay, where you were going out for bid which the response date was November $19^{\rm th}$."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "But these are all—they're all two weeks but you know what? They're not because the publishing date—"

Sal Mastropaolo: "October 28th."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Right. So what's the second board meeting in November?"

Councilman Wooten: "It's the 16th."

Supervisor Walter: "Why don't we do it until the 16th?"

<u>Sal Mastropaolo:</u> "Even if you did it until the 12^{th} which is the Friday before the meeting."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "You know what? We need it for at least the work session."

(Some inaudible discussion)

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "You know what? Let's do it to— when's the next board meeting, the 16^{th} ? We'll do it until the 16^{th} . So it will be opened on the 16^{th} . (Inaudible) to December.

If everybody is that easy to please.

All right. Does anybody else wish to be heard on the resolutions? There being nobody, John, if you'd make a motion we— "

Councilman Dunleavy: "I make a motion we close the town board
meeting. So moved."

Supervisor Walter: "Can I get a second on that?"

Councilman Gabrielsen: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Vote please. Diane, we're going to vote.

I'm sorry. Well, we're still in the-- that's fine. Yes or no."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes;
Dunleavy, yes; Walter."

Meeting closed

Meeting reopened

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay, Diane, if you will call the resolutions."

Resolution #784

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "Approves the Riverhead water district's purchase of property described as SCTM# 0600-84-1-p/o 18.2. So moved."

Councilman Wooten: "I'll second."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Gigio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes;
Dunleavy."

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "Yes. This is the property that's so we can have access to the water district and to the cell phones that are on (inaudible) the water district property on 58. I vote yes.

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #785

Councilman Wooten: "785 approves the Riverhead water
district's transfer of property described as SCTM# 0600-125-1p/o4.2
to the town of Riverhead. So moved."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "And seconded."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #786

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Authorize the town clerk to publish and post public notice of public hearing to consider a proposed local law for an amendment to Chapter 101 Vehicles & Traffic of the Riverhead town code, Section 101-4 one way streets, Cedar Street, Riverhead. So moved."

Councilwoman Giglio: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #787

Councilwoman Giglio: "Authorizes the town clerk to publish and post public notice of public hearing to consider a proposed local law for an amendment to Chapter 101 Vehicles & Traffic for the Riverhead town code, Section 101-10 parking prohibited, Cedar Road, Wading River, Hulse Landing Road, Wading River, second Street, Riverhead. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #788

Councilman Dunleavy: "788. Authorize the town clerk to publish and post public notice of public hearing to consider a proposed local law for an amendment of Chapter 101 Vehicles & Traffic of the Riverhead town code, Section 101-17 parking by permit, as amended. So moved."

Councilman Wooten: "I'll second."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please.

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #789

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "789 authorizes the town clerk to publish and post notice of public hearing to consider the adoption of the 2011 preliminary annual budget for the town of Riverhead. So moved."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #790

<u>Councilman Gabrielsen:</u> "Authorize the supervisor to execute an amended renewal agreement with Nextiraone, LLC d/b/a Black Box Network Services for telephone maintenance. So moved."

Councilwoman Giglio: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #791

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "Authorizes the supervisor to execute a musical works license agreement with SESAC LLC. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #792

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "Awards bid for water service materials for use in the Riverhead water district. So moved."

Councilman Wooten: "Seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #793

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "Authorizes town clerk to publish and post notice to bidders for electric motor emergency repair/replacement. So moved."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten."

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "This has-- this is November 18th return date. Yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #794

<u>Councilman Gabrielsen:</u> "Ratifies appointment of part time police officers and places them on a leave of absence. So moved."

Councilwoman Giglio: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #795

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "Authorizes community development department to prepare grant application for New York State

Department of Environmental Conservation Clean Vessel Assistance Funding. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #796

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "Ratifies the reinstatement of an employee to active status.

And I just want to say this employee was over in Iraq with the military and we welcome him back to the town of Riverhead. So moved."

Councilman Wooten: "I'll second."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Welcome home. Yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #797

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "797, let's see. Okay. Motion to-resolution to repeal certain previously adopted serial bond authorizations. So moved."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "And seconded."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter."

Supervisor Walter: "Yes. And this is also a part of budget

cutbacks. These are bonds that were issued for several things, some of them we didn't spend all of, some of them we're not spending any money on. Yes."

Diane Wilhelm: "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #798

<u>Councilman Gabrielsen:</u> "Riverhead sewer district budget transfer for unanticipated repairs of pump bases. So moved."

Councilwoman Giglio: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #799

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "Authorization to publish advertisement for work clothes, as amended. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #800

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "Authorization to publish advertisement for milk for the town of Riverhead, as amended. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Supervisor Cardinale: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes;
Dunleavy, yes; Walter."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Yes. Hopefully we don't have to do this resolution one more time."

<u>Diane Wilhelm:</u> "The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #801

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "Authorization to publish advertisement for propane for the town of Riverhead. So moved, as amended."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #802

<u>Councilman Gabrielsen:</u> "Approves the Chapter 90 application of Abate of NY Long Island Chapter (St. Mary's food and toy motorcycle run - November 7, 2010). So moved."

Councilwoman Giglio: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #803

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "Authorizes the town clerk to post and publish the attached notice to bidders for the East End Arts Council site improvement project. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Are we amending this one, too?"

Councilman Wooten: "That's one that would be amended."

Councilwoman Giglio: "November 16th, right?"

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Who is doing these resolutions with the short dates? What's that tag line down there, do we know?"

(Inaudible comment)

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "We'll let them know that we don't want week dates that are seven days so we're going to amend this to the 16th as well. Okay."

Councilwoman Giglio: "So moved, as amended."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded, as amended."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

<u>Diane Wilhelm:</u> "Resolution 804 and 805 were inadvertently switched on the agenda so we'll read them as they should be."

(Inaudible discussion)

Resolution #804

Councilman Dunleavy: "Discontinues IDA board of directors.
So moved."

Councilman Wooten: "I'll second."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio."

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "I just want to thank the IDA members. They volunteer their time and I vote yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy."

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "Yes. And I just want to thank everybody for their time with the IDA. There's a lot of time and it's all voluntary. So I vote yes."

Resolution #805

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "805 establishes definite terms and appoints board members to the office for the IDA. So moved."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, abstain; Wooten, yes;
Dunleavy."

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "I vote yes. I still haven't made an appointment (inaudible) if somebody wants people that I want on this board, so we're still negotiating. I vote yes for these four."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #806

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Authorize the supervisor to execute all documents required to effectuate the transfer of property between the town and the Riverhead fire district pursuant to 72-h of the general municipal law. So moved."

Councilwoman Giglio: "And seconded."

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #807

Councilwoman Giglio: "Authorizes town clerk to publish and post public notice of public hearing to consider a proposed local law for an amendment of Chapter 101 Vehicles & Traffic, Section 101-5 speed limits, River Road. So moved."

Councilman Dunleavy: "And seconded.

Supervisor Walter: "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes;
Dunleavy."

Councilman Dunleavy: "I just want to know has the state d one
their survey on this?"

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "John, it's part of the crossing. We'll send it up anyway."

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "We're not allowed to lower speed limits without the state's approval."

Councilwoman Giglio: "It was a requirement."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "It was part of negotiations. They
required this."

(Some inaudible comment by Dawn Thomas)

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "Well, that's what I asked. I asked that question if they approved this. Okay."

Dawn Thomas: "The answer to the question is yes."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Okay. I vote yes."

The Vote (Cont'd.): "Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Resolution #808

Councilman Dunleavy: "Pay the bills. So moved."

Councilman Wooten: "I'll second."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Moved and seconded. Vote please."

The Vote: "Giglio, yes; Gabrielsen, yes; Wooten, yes; Dunleavy, yes; Walter, yes. The resolution is adopted."

Supervisor Walter: "Thank you. Now we open this— the portion of the meeting for public comment. We just ask as with previous— actually we've never done it but previous town boards have limited speaking to five minutes and we've sort of asked that. People adhere to that. So if you could limit your comments to five minutes that would be great. We take e-mails, well, I don't do e-mails that well but if you have something written we always take that as well.

So if you'd just step up and state your name and hamlet for the record, that would be fine."

<u>Nick Luparella:</u> "Nick Luparella, Riverhead Fire Department. Supervisor and Members of the town board. My name is Nick Luparella, chief of the Riverhead fire department and I speak on behalf of the fire fighters and attendants.

It has come to our attention that a fire marshal's position has been eliminated from the tentative 2011 budget for the town of Riverhead.

While balancing the budget and keeping taxes low are important goals, public safety is not the area to be cutting. The fire marshal's office is the only agency that inspects businesses in the town of Riverhead on a regular basis enforcing town codes and state fire codes to assure occupant and fire safety as required by New York State law.

They ensure that the fire alarm and the fire sprinkler systems are maintained, thus eliminating fires or keeping fire from getting out of control.

The exits and exit paths are kept clear and accessible for use in any emergency thus assuring occupants can get out in the event of an emergency and that fire fighters don't get trapped in buildings.

Flammable liquids and hazardous materials are handled and stored properly among numerous other fire and life safety codes.

The fire marshal's office also reviews plans for new projects, renovations in order to make sure that these buildings are designed properly and have the necessary systems to protect the occupants.

The fire marshal's office works with us, local volunteer fire departments, to provide important information on building construction and conditions, fire detection, suppression systems and hazards present to help out the fire departments accomplish their mission to protect life and property.

Oftentimes the fire marshal's office is contacted both during business hours and after business hours to address our needs, whether we conduct a cause of origin investigation or to follow up on life safety issues.

The town of Riverhead is still growing. Downtown revitalization, EPCAL development and the expansion of county road 58 are some of the areas where the expertise of the fire marshal's office will be required to help us do our job.

Can you really put a price on safety and the lives of the people who live, work and visit where firefighters protect and serve this community?

We ask that you please reconsider eliminating any fire marshal position in the 2011 budget.

Thank you."

Supervisor Walter: "Thank you. Can you— I'm going to do this all at once. Does anybody— any other firefighters wish to be heard tonight because I'm sure that you have other things that you'd rather be doing than standing here. If you wish to be heard, we'll take the firefighters now. Okay. Thank you."

Councilwoman Giglio: "I would just like to say that I acknowledge as a land use consultant and dealing a lot with commercial buildings that are built throughout Suffolk County, that it's very important to have fire marshals inspect the building.

We have volunteers going into these buildings to fight the fires. It's important that the buildings are labeled properly so that the firefighter knows what type of building he's going into, whether it's (inaudible) construction, whether it's steel, whether it's wood frame, I realize that it's very important.

And it's very important that we have all the strobe lights working and we know where the key lock box is, that you know how to access the building, you know where your safe haven is in the building.

And I think that we all realize that and it's something that's come up in discussion many times and a serious consideration for this board.

So thank you all for coming out tonight. It's very much appreciated and it will be taken into consideration."

Councilman Wooten: "We also got an e-mail from the Riverhead

Fire Association which is very well written that I made part of the record also."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay. Is there a fire fighter in the back that would like to be heard, if you would just come on up, sir."

<u>John Spiciati:</u> "Good evening. I'm John Spiciati from Calverton."

Diane Wilhelm: "Could you spell your last name?"

<u>John Spiciati:</u> "S-O-I-C-I-A-T-I. I've been in the public safety field for 18 years and I've been a volunteer firefighter for about 20. I am new to the area.

I just wanted to say though that a cut back in the fire marshal position is also cutting back from town revenue. They do— can fine businesses for not being in accordance with code. Can they not?"

Supervisor Walter: "Yes."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Yes, you're right."

John Spiciati: "Okay, thank you."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Is there any other— oh, my favorite chief, ex-chief. How are we doing there?"

George Woodson: "Being an ex-chief of the fire department I've worked last six or seven years with the fire marshal's office, and a great asset to the town of Riverhead and with all the volunteer firefighters you see here tonight, we actually put our lives in their hands a lot of times by their inspections and if you get rid of any inspections are not going to happen like they should happen and put the firefighters lives in jeopardy.

Thank you."

Supervisor Walter: "Thank you."

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "I just want to say inspections are very important. I think there's 2,500 commercial buildings in the town of Riverhead that have to be inspected every year and our fire

marshals do a great job and I just don't want to see that deteriorate and so we're taking a long, hard look at this decision that has to be made or not made.

Thank you."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "All right. None of the other firefighters wish to be heard? Mr. Kelly, you're like a (inaudible) into the firefighters."

<u>Bob Kelly:</u> "Yeah, I wasn't planning on coming up and speaking on behalf of these guys. I'm Bob Kelly, I'm a retired New York City firefighter from Reeves Park.

I want to thank you guys for your service and I want to thank you for everything you guys do for the town of Riverhead, what you guys have done specifically for my family during our memorial service after September 11, what you do down there and I know you're behind the memorial.

Also, public safety, there's no way to cut as you guys well know. There's got to be a way that you can find to save the money, whether it's through overtime caps, whether through attrition, there's always a way.

As the gentleman said before, this town is growing, commercial developments. A fire marshal's job is invaluable to protect these guys that go in in harm's way to make sure that they know that the buildings that they're going in to, the tragedies that they do face.

We had a situation a few meetings ago. You guys all talked about what's going on down at the bluffs, down at Baiting Hollow. That's a dangerous job you guys have and they do it for God's work. They're not doing it for pay. They're not doing it— only because they love what they do.

And to cut a fire marshal in this situation and in these times is not the right thing to do. There's got to be an easier way. I know you guys have a hard job up there finding the budget to meet your expenses but taking a marshal out of those lines is not the right way to go.

So I'm on the clock, too. I've only got a couple minutes and I'd like to thank all the Met fans being here tonight.

Just real quick. On the situation on Sound Avenue and Thomas Kelly Memorial Drive and I just want to thank you people for taking the stand, for taking it to the point that it is at. It's gone before the legislature now.

I just want to know what is happening. We also have the support of the Nassau Former Firefighters Foundation, the International Association of Firefighters, the New York City fire department and members of the New York City Fire Department Council Unit, all willing to help out when this project does see the light of day.

And I'm just curious just to see where we're going with Mr. Romaine's proposal and, Sean, I thank you for coming up and speaking that day.

Again, though, the zoning is key. The zoning is still key. We still believe that it should be residential."

Supervisor Walter: "Thank you."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Thank you."

Mike Foley: "Mike Foley, Reeves Park. Since the last board meeting we've had meetings with Legislator Romaine. We have testified along with you, Sean, in front of the Suffolk County Legislative committee to get to a vote, the Tom Kelly Memorial Drive and Sound Avenue 4.1 acre parcel.

After hearing from dozens of north shore community activists, it's not just Reeves Park. Thousands of people on the north shore signed petitions and their leaders have spoken as have you, Sean.

The Suffolk County Legislature voted 17 to nothing to send a letter of proposal to the owner of that land, Ken Barra, NEMB Enterprises (phonetic) for his permission to give an appraisal in the hopes of closing negotiations and selling that land.

That's all great news. We've got the town board. We've got Legislator Romaine and the Suffolk County Legislature. We have State Assemblyman Alessi. We have Suffolk County Executive Levy. And I believe we have Senator Schumer on deck if we need him and, hopefully, we won't.

There's only so large of a state for you guys to take your bow once we get this thing done. But because we also look at the worse case scenario and you have been a tremendous advocate, Sean, but we do have one bone of contention. And that has been your repeated public statement that you have a legal obligation to proceed with this application.

We believe otherwise. We believe that Resolution 890 that was signed by four board members if October of 2008 with one abstention. Two of those board members, one of them seconding that resolution are John Dunleavy, still sit on this board.

And we want this property to be sold. We want the developer to get out of the hole. That is our goal. But failing that goal, we have to look at alternatives and there's only one alternative. This gets kicked back into litigation.

So you have a choice to make. You and the other board members have a choice to make. You can go along the path that you've stated publicly which is to take this as commercial, ignore Resolution 890 that has rezoned it residential and force the owners and taxpayers to sue the town to enforce their zoning. Or you can continue to look at arguments that have gone beyond Carolyn Zenk.

We have now over half a dozen legal opinions that state that Resolution 890 as it was drawn up and passed by this board in October of 2008 is enforceable.

So I think this board has a choice. And I'm not asking anybody's opinion on this tonight but I want to put everybody on notice. I want the people on the camera and I want the people in the town to understand.

This has been an eight year fight. This is more than 4.1 acres of land. We have a memorial to a fallen neighbor and brother firefighter, Tom Kelly, at stake here. It is more than just 4.1 acres.

And we're saying, Sean, that if push comes to shove, if Mr. Barra doesn't take an offer, the last offer on the table whatever that offer is, that you take a hard look at enforcing Resolution 890 because one way or the other, you are going to be entertaining litigation from one developer or you are going to be entertaining from thousands of taxpaying voters members of Riverhead.

I ask you to consider that. Thank you very much."

Supervisor Walter: "Does anybody else- yes, go ahead."

Stephanie Taft: "Good evening. Can you hear me with this?"

Supervisor Walter: "Yes. What's your name and hamlet?"

Stephanie Taft: "Yes. My name is Stephanie Taft. I'm a labor representative for the Civil Service Employees Association.

I wanted to introduce the fact that a number of our members will be speaking tonight, those that you've targeted for layoffs plus a few others.

I first read in the paper-- I have been assigned to negotiate the contracts for CSEA and the town. I first read in the paper on October $1^{\rm st}$ that there were going to be layoffs in the town.

With all due respect, I say shame on you for not coming to talk to the union first. There are other ways that we may be able to help to fill whatever holes you have to prevent layoffs. These people who you are going to be laying off and the fire department was so eloquent in supporting one of its representatives who is one of our members, the fire marshal, are not only important to the town work force, but important to the residents of the town who partake of their services. They're very, very important to CSEA.

And to undertake, you said Mr. Dunleavy that you may be reconsidering the fire marshal, if I understood correctly what you said. We would like to ask that you reconsider all of these positions. They're all important.

And, again, please take the time to sit down with CSEA to talk these matters over before they appear in the paper.

My colleagues will be speaking now."

Roberta Morrissey: "Good evening everybody. It's been a long day. I won't be too long. I'm actually here—Roberta Morrissey, Riverhead town resident. I'm also an employee of the town but my first question I want to ask has to do with as a town resident. And I keep on forgetting to ask and I keep on meaning to e-mail Tara.

Two years ago, the town did Belgian block down by the river all over, made a lot of noise. I guess too many people complained. The Belgian block came out. I was told the Belgian block that I know is very costly is under lock and key. I absolutely want to make certain as a town resident that it still is."

Supervisor Walter: "It is."

Roberta Morrissey: "And why don't we sell it-"

Supervisor Walter: "I even know where it is."

Roberta Morrissey: "As long as it's still there."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Because Michael Reichel has it under lock and key at the sewer district."

Roberta Morrissey: "As long as it's under lock and key."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "We've had proposed different uses for it but we haven't found the right one yet."

Roberta Morrissey: "Very good, as long as it's still under lock and key.

I come tonight on behalf of John Nowak. I'm speaking for him tonight because he couldn't be here and I'd like to read this letter that he would like read to the town board.

Unfortunately I, John Nowak, am unable to attend this town board meeting. Therefore I will have to ask one of my union members to read this for me.

It was suggested to me and to others at risk of losing their jobs due to cutbacks that are attempting to fix this budget deficit to write or speak up so that the committee may have some understanding of who and what they will be losing out on.

My job title is a recreation leader. I currently work at the skate park and have been working there ever since the park's opening. My duties include opening and closing the park, taking in revenue, administering first aid, maintaining the park, and filling out the necessary paperwork. That is what is required of me.

But I go beyond my duties. On my free time, I've made flyers for the skate contents. I also have networked in the community to get sponsors, live music and I'm helping to promote this upcoming event which I'm sure will be the biggest contest to date.

I am also a positive influence on these youngsters, many of whom I've watched grow up. I try to set a good example for them and promote their talents in hopes of keeping them in the park, having fun and off the streets where they might be getting into trouble.

Many of these kids look up to me and are very pleased with what I contribute to the park. The parents of these children have often come up to me and thanked me for teaching their son how to do a trick, helping them when they are hurt, or even getting the kids to get along with each other.

If you were to speak to any parent about me, I am confident you will not hear any negative comments. I act as a babysitter, a nurse, and even a big brother for these kids. I go beyond what is expected of me and I do it because it's what I love to do.

I've skateboarded since I was 13. I'm 28 now. After 15 years I think it's safe to say that skateboarding is a big part of my life. I love my job and not many people can say that.

I would like to thank Tom and Ray for allowing us to be more involved in this past year. With our help, the park is growing in attendance and the events are getting better and bigger every time we have one.

If you are concerned with my health benefits being too costly, then I will give them up in order to save my job. I'm a hard worker, a caring person and these children are lucky to have someone interested in the sport that encourages them and promotes good clean fun.

I also would like to add that I have worked in other areas of recreation and I am always willing to help out and fill in. I've worked volleyball for the 18 plus crowd on Tuesday and Thursday nights for several years. I was groundskeeper for Stotzky Park as well.

I filled in for youth basketball and even helped out with he Easter egg hunt. I am not just a park attendant. I'm a positive

influence that's worked for the town for over eight years. I don't deserve to lose my job because the town needs to save a few bucks.

As I mentioned, if your main concern is health benefits, then take them, not that I am happy about it but if it will save my job, so be it.

I feel bad for my fellow union members who can't offer the same. None of us deserve to be laid off and I am sure there are other options that would reduce spending and save jobs.

And I thank everybody here tonight for allowing me to read that."

Sean McCabe: "Good evening, Sean McCabe, animal control, town
of Riverhead.

I'd also like to say a little bit about my position, who I am in the town, a little personal stuff because I think we're dealing with a town family here where we're laying people off and trying to cut budgets and stuff like that.

I've been here for 55 years, lived in the town of Riverhead, attended all the schools here in Riverhead. I've lived and paid taxes here since 1976, raised my family here, two children. I've owned businesses in the town of Riverhead, paid taxes on those businesses. I'm a volunteer fireman in Jamesport since 1972. I've held all the offices. I have been chief in the department, I've been commissioner in the department and I currently am second assistant chief today.

I've had numerous emergency services trainings. I hold certificates in just about anything you can think of from animal control to fire service.

I belong to countless memberships, business, emergency, civic associations. I'm a member of the St. John's parish vision council, it's parish finance committee. We deal with finances all the time and have to make budgets there, too.

I've run countless fundraisers for different organizations here. I was a member of the IDA for 16 years which was a town appointed position. I'm currently chair of the Riverhead CAC. I've been on that board, appointed by the town board for 14 years. I've

been employed by the town since January of 2002 which would be nine years this January and numerous training courses and stuff like that through animal control.

On Friday, October 1st, I received a call inquiring if I had been in the supervisor's office and I explained to the person that called, no, I'm in Florida with my wife, Diane, my son, my daughterin-law, two of my grandchildren and come to find out, I couldn't confirm anything, but they said that I was on the hit list of the 13.

On Saturday I did— I was able to get a hold of our union president and he confirmed that, yes, my name was on the list and that I would be hearing from somebody shortly.

When I did return from vacation, I was summoned to the supervisor's office and I was informed that I was, in fact, on the list of 13 written out of the budget for 2011.

Currently here in Riverhead we have two animal control officers who cover our entire township, 201 square miles, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. We are shorthanded and manage to make the best of it and protect the town effectively.

We receive calls from within our office as well as through the police department. Most of the emergency calls come through the police department because of the 911 system.

We respond to any animal call within the township, no matter what type it is, animal attacks, animal bites, stray animals, injured animals, DOA animals, barking dogs, steer on the road, horses, you name it. If it has to do with an animal, Lou or I are there.

Public safety is certainly I think or should be the main concern of the town board. It's not every day that we respond to a dog attacking a child in the playground but there are two of us to cover the town and we do it well.

It's not every day that the police get called to a murder in town but there's 85 of them to cover the town 24 hours a day.

Where do we draw the line? Public safety is the biggest thing. I think last year we were concerned about adding police to the

budget and also we had a public vote for the public safety dispatchers and I believe that the town taxpayers were very much in favor of keeping the public dispatchers and that's why we have it today.

I'm sure that if the town had a chance to cast a vote on these two— on not only my position as animal control officer but also Craig's for public safety, they would certainly want to retain us.

So I would ask that you would reconsider the budget and help us all out. $\,$

I'd like to thank everybody from the town family who is here and also for the fire department for their support of Craig."

Supervisor Walter: "How are you doing, Ray?"

Ray Dickoff: "How are you doing? Ray Dickoff, Aquebogue. I'd like to start by saying that as a builder in town, every one of the departments in this town, you know, it's a pleasure to work with. They're all fantastic. I've worked in a lot of other towns and sometimes it's no so easy to get through the different agencies. But planning, building, the CDA, the IDA, I've been through all of them and it's a pleasure to do business here.

Public safety cannot be cut. I don't see how you can do that. The town is growing all the time and the fire marshals, they just do a fantastic job.

Now with safety in mind, that's what actually brought me here tonight. I really— I'm getting ready to move forward with a very expensive project downtown. I just completed for a woman, a very expensive project downtown, there's a lot of money being put down there and, again, last night at 2:00 in the morning, we had yet another multiple stabbing down in the parking lot.

Now we all read that Casa Rica (phonetic) was going to be closed, we all read about the liquor license, the liquor authority. I have to know from the town board or the chief of police or the commissioner of police, retired police, what are you going to do about downtown with this Casa Rica. It can't be what can we do. It can't be I don't know what we should do. It's got to stop. The people— "

Supervisor Walter: "All right. I'm going to tell you that there are more police per square foot once I took office, downtown Riverhead, than any other spot in the town. Wait a minute. We run because of that and other situations, police officers on overtime. We run the COPE units. We are doing things that I am not prepared to discuss.

The day I took office, this pretty much started. At some point, the state liquor authority will do what they're supposed to do. I'm hoping that this is it. There are agencies involved all over to do— take care of this situation.

There is not one thing that this town— that I have not done as police commissioner, not one thing, and you— it's cost us dearly financially and it's unfortunate that this happened. But I will not rest until they are closed down and with any luck they will be shortly.

But it comes down to the state liquor authority right now."

Councilman Wooten: "And that really is it, Ray. I mean I've handled investigations way back, ran the gambit in Riverhead before you were here. It's not the only time we've dealt with unruly bars but it does come down to referrals, referrals, referrals and it comes down to the state liquor authority yanking the license which is what it comes down.

I think they have enough ammunition to do that. But that really is where the ball is."

Ray Dickoff: "If it wasn't a bar and there was no state liquor license, if it was a candle shop, and you had three stabbings, two assaults and a machete attack, then whose responsibility would it be? If it's not— if there wasn't a bar, there is no state liquor authority. You can't have this many assaults, violent assaults."

Councilman Wooten: "Well, there is now."

Supervisor Walter: "Ray, you're not there from 10 to four o'clock. We're— we have a police officer on the weekend, two police officers on the weekend on the front, on Main Street and on the riverfront for one reason. I don't know what else you expect me to do. We will shut them down. It will happen. It's not— I don't

control the state liquor authority.

We are going to be reaching out to— we actually have had some conversations with Senator LaValle's office today to try and step up the pressure on the state liquor authority but I'm going to tell you. There is nothing else we could do that we haven't done. We don't control the liquor authority.

We've been locking them up, locking them up, locking them up and we're going to continue to do that. And this wouldn't happen at a candle shop. It happens because these guys get drunk in there. And we're doing it."

Ray Dickoff: "So you're doing it."

Supervisor Walter: "We are doing it."

Councilman Dunleavy: "We are doing it."

Ray Dickoff: "Okay. Thank you. And thank the employees also."

Theresa Mason: "Hi, good evening, Theresa Mason from the planning department. I'm the site plan reviewer. For those of you who don't know what I do, I review commercial development projects for compliance with the town code and to ensure that those sites are functional for emergency service access, for, you know, correct amount of parking because we don't want people parking on the side of the road.

And my position is being cut from the 2011 budget. Since I began in November, 2008, I've reviewed over 65 applications, 41 of which have been approved. That amounts to about a little under two approvals a month since my arrival.

And it took over a year for us to process the backlog of applications that we had since my arrival.

I calculated the fees that— of the applications that I've reviewed and that equals over \$150,000 which more than covers my salary because I don't take the medical benefits here at the town.

In addition to reviewing these commercial site plan applications, I also help members of the public determine what they

can and cannot do with their property, help applicants find the proper properties for what they do want to do. For example, we just had a gentleman come in last week who wants to build an indoor ice rink and he's looking on Edwards Avenue where that is allowed.

Beyond that, I've also pitched in when I'm needed. I've helped the CDA draw down some grant money. I've even covered the phones in the supervisor's office for a half an hour.

But what I find is frustrating and ironic is that in 2009 when the board members ran for public office and again when they first got into office, they said that they wanted to streamline the process to make it more business friendly.

The reason I find that ironic is that you're planning on cutting a third of your planners, one of which reviews the special permits and the Chapter 12 permits and the other two, myself and Karen, review the commercial site plans.

So you're cutting your site plan review staff by half. It doesn't make sense when you want to be more business friendly and you want to encourage people to develop.

If you have more than two applications that come in, you're going to start having a backlog when you cut the services.

And I would also like to point out that the town of Riverhead has more commercial property than any of the east end towns out here and by cutting the staff, you would end up by having the smallest planning staff on the east end, not counting Shelter Island because Shelter Island has no planning department and has no town staff, period.

But I think that's something that you need to consider. You want to bring development to the town, you want to bring tax ratables to the town and yet you're going to cut your planning staff by a third and I think that's a problem because you are only going to create a new backlog.

Councilman Dunleavy: "Thank you."

<u>Cheryl Behr:</u> "Hello, good evening. My name is Cheryl Behr and I am the juvenile aid bureau secretary.

The juvenile aid bureau secretary position which I was informed on October $1^{\rm st}$ is one of the 13 positions the town has decided to lay off.

I'd like to elaborate on just how important this position is to the juvenile aid bureau and the town of Riverhead's youth.

The juvenile aid bureau secretary coordinates and helps to implement juvenile aid bureau programs, Police Athletic League sports and Riverhead town youth court. The juvenile aid bureau secretary takes minutes for the Riverhead town youth bureau's advisory board.

Each of these activities are vital to maintaining the state funding allotted to the town of Riverhead. To maintain grant funding each of the service components requires documentation and statistics. The chief of police also required accurate statistics in terms of arrest and juvenile cases.

This administrative work is a vital part of the juvenile aid bureau secretary. As a civilian employee of the Riverhead police department, I have face to face daily interaction with a variety of people representing the youth and the families of our community.

Unfortunately many of these young people come to the juvenile aid bureau as a result of crimes committed in the community, sexual abuse, child abuse and child neglect. The paperwork generated by these cases must be completed accurately and it is extensive. The town of Riverhead juvenile aid bureau has a long standing record of turning in accurate and impeccable paperwork to probation and the Family Court system.

This cannot be done by part time people covering the position on an as needed basis.

The juvenile officer completes all investigations, handles arrests and is able to complete her work with accurate administrative support. Without this assistance, many of our arrests would be thrown out of court or not done at all. Child abuse cases would not be filed in a timely fashion and juveniles will be acting out within the community without consequences.

PAL Sports, of which I'm sure many of you are familiar with, requires a great deal of organization of team information required by our town's records along with Suffolk County social roster. Over 800 children participate in the programs our town offers.

I manage the data bases and registrations of those 800 children participating in football, cheerleading, boys and girls lacrosse and soccer and the bike rodeo. I also track payments, prepare deposits and distribute all team information and updates to coaches. I requisition, order and voucher for payment of uniforms and all sports equipment. So as you can imagine the PAL director also requires a great deal of assistance.

Youth Court also demands a great deal of organization of those cases to be tried by our youth. The preparation of materials and interaction between those tried and those working on the cases are that of the juvenile aid secretary. Without my assistance you are once again pulling administrative responsibilities into the juvenile detectives workload - when she should be doing what we as taxpayers pay her to do - investigate.

The PAL program and youth court are our two largest programs that prevent young people from needing the services of police officers and juvenile aid officers. These programs cannot exist without solid administrative support.

With my assistance in a very fast paced, constantly changing environment, Det. Hobson and Det. Hubbard are able to effectively and efficiently do their jobs.

The juvenile aid bureau grant which our town has received since 1980 specifies that the monies received be used to compensate for a juvenile aid officer and secretary. This grant is designed to invest in the welfare of our youth in Riverhead town. Riverhead town was one of the first to house a juvenile aid bureau and has been funded with this grant since its establishment back in 1980.

The juvenile aid bureau programs prevent juvenile delinquency throughout the town, prevents criminal mischief, property damage and gang violence against other children and the people in our community. This safety network has been developed over a 30 year period. If you decrease the effectiveness of these services, you will not be able to replace these services when juvenile crime escalates.

I would please like to ask the board to keep in mind that for the last 30 years this position has been supplemented by grant money. If the town decides to do away with this position, we could lose that percentage of money within our grant.

Thank you for considering this request."

<u>Liz Plauff:</u> "Hi, can everyone hear me? My name is Liz Plauff. I'm your community development program technician. I've been with the town since March of 2008. I'm one of the luck 13 whose job title has been written out of the 2011 budget.

Let me tell you my history.

I've been employed in the private non-profit sector for 20 years. I've worked with homeless families, no income, low income, modest income, seniors, renters and first time home buyers. I've done homeless re-housing, homeless counseling, property management and affordable housing development.

 ${\tt I'}{\tt ve}$ managed programs and ${\tt I'}{\tt ve}$ written grants.

I came to work for the town because I wanted to utilize my talents and considerable experience in my home town. I'm a Riverhead resident and I love my work.

I've been busy spending grant funds for Riverhead, \$200,000 in CDBG funds; \$75,000 of RESTORE funds; \$195,000 from AHC; and \$80,000 of USDA funds, all federally allocated free money to the town. That's \$550,000 to help our neediest.

I say ours because they belong to you and me, Riverhead residents, most of whom are seniors, people who have lived here and paid taxes and deserve the little bit of help that we can provide. This program benefits our taxpayer.

Since I started, 49 houses have been assisted— 49 households, excuse me. Eighty percent were at or below 50% of the area median income. That means a family of two trying to survive on less than forty one-five a year. More than half were seniors. Seventy-five percent reside in mobile homes; twenty-five percent are disabled.

Home repairs averaged \$11,000 per household for roofs, windows, insulation, plumbing, furnaces, hot water heaters, ramps and other

handicapped accessibility features.

In addition to the home improvement program, I spend much of my time on the many other community development grants and programs. Last month for instance, I closed out \$750,000 of Grangebel Park fish passage grants.

Earlier this year, I wrote a grant and won a \$200,000 award for the town. These are time consuming, detail oriented tasks not for the faint of heart and definitely not for the inexperienced.

I'm proud to say that the home improvement program and the many other grants that the community development office obtains and administers to the tune of millions of dollars benefits the entire community, downtown and residential districts alike.

We work our tails off. We bring money to the table. Yet, I read in our local paper that the aquarium which has gotten one tax break is given another. We're purchasing a lead lined armory building for one dollar that will cost us millions in remediation. And Riverhead Resorts gets pass after pass on the millions of dollars owed to the town for contract extensions.

It's no wonder we're in a fiscal crisis- we've brought it upon ourselves.

But to balance the budget, this board chooses to cut funds to a department that directly helps our taxpayers. It helps today when they need the help the most unlike the businesses who promise to increase our tax base in the future.

So you want me to fall on my sword? Me and 12 others for the good of the town? I hope that you'll forgive me, but from our perspective it seems that we are the only ones being asked to make the ultimate sacrifice, our jobs.

I can only hope that you can find a way to do the work and administer the programs that the taxpayers have come to expect, with the same quality and compassion.

Thank you for your time."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Liz, I just want to— I'm sorry, Liz,
can I ask you a question, please? Can I ask you a question?

I noticed on your resume you have that you are the accounting department liaison and you handle the oversight of the deposits, the expenditures and the budget reconciliation.

At the last budget hearing, our chief financial officer indicated that the books are behind 10 years as far as bank reconciliation statements for the CDBG grants and for other grant programs such as this.

And I saw the spreadsheet that you prepared and I am just— I'm having a big struggle with that because if we have somebody that's the liaison to the accounting department that's handling these reconciliations, is that what this says you do?"

<u>Liz Plauff:</u> "I can't speak to what happened prior to my arrival here in 2008 but I've done my best to go through all of the back records and help the accounting department as much as I can. Many of the funds are prior to my arrival so I'm not familiar with how they were allocated."

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "So you don't see the bank statements at all? You just— so when you say the budget reconciliation, that means that you—"

<u>Liz Plauff:</u> "In other words, when I get a \$200,000 grant from the affordable housing corporation, I know exactly how much money I've spent down so I have to reconcile my figures with what the accounting department is showing for that grant."

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "Okay. And then you provide that information so if there's a balance on the grant then we either draw down on it or—"

<u>Liz Plauff:</u> "Spend it. We have to spend it and get reimbursed typically."

Councilwoman Giglio: "Thank you."

Liz Plauff: "You're welcome."

<u>Craig Zitek:</u> "Good evening. I'm Craig Zitek. I'm the fire marshal in the town of Riverhead. I'd just like to take this opportunity to thank all the firefighters and the chiefs that spoke on behalf of the fire marshal's office this evening as well as the

business community that came out and spoke.

And I would hope that the town board would reconsider reinstating the 13 positions that have been cut from the 2011 budget.

Thank you."

I watch channel 22, pretty much watch what goes on, what everybody says. Some of the things I've heard are incorrect so, therefore, I will correct them.

Emmett's Lane (phonetic) drainage program. When that program was started, myself, Mr. Dunleavy, town engineer, we did it in two phases. If the first phase didn't work, then we would implement the second phase.

During the second phase we found out that the town didn't even own the property.

We did put the drains in and for anybody that doesn't know when you do drainage work you put a drain in today, you don't go back and patch it the same day. You have to let it settle.

So at your work session when the lady was up here stating how horrible it looked, things have to settle, otherwise I'll be doing the same job over and over.

The second thing. Sylvan Drive. It was mentioned at a work session or town board meeting that I took down trees and cleared a lot. I took down three trees to put a drain in to help the poor people out down below whose houses get flooded three times a year.

These two problems have existed for over 20 years. I was the only one that did anything or attempted to do anything about it.

The town board meeting, we're not buying bags for \$50,000. The bags we are purchasing this year cost \$19,000 and \$25,000 of that goes to pay for the grinding of the material so it can be given back to the taxpayers at no cost, mulch for free.

And the last thing at a town board meeting is the sidewalks on Ostrander Avenue for the aquarium. We started working on that today to get the sidewalks in by the railroad tracks. Hopefully when our tree truck gets back fixed, it's out of order now, we'll take the tree down and fix the sidewalk on the other side for the people going into the aquarium.

So I just wanted to clarify some of these things I heard won channel 22 and I speak the truth."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Let me ask you a question. We gave you a million dollars this year to spend in paving. How much paving drainage road work— have you spent the entire million dollars?"

Geo Woodson: "I've got I think about \$300,000 left. Actually I'm doing pavement tomorrow and Thursday which will leave me about 120. I have some work that's going to be done in Polish Town but I have to do some pre-existing work before then. I try before I do any paving, make sure the flood issues are rectified otherwise it's a waste of taxpayers money."

Supervisor Walter: "So now I have a question for you. A gentleman writes a letter to me and I'm not going to say who. Well, I'll give you a copy of the letter. He said that he was upset about curbing that was put in I believe it was in Jamesport and he said that you came back and said to him that, well, the reason that we didn't do all the curbing is the town board cut my budget significantly.

And I'm just curious if you have \$150,000 or \$300,000 I'm going to check to see what's left. But I'm just curious as to why you would say that. We gave you a million dollars and the previous town board gave you 1.5 over two years. We gave you a million dollars for 2010. We haven't cut any employees. We haven't cut your budget, in fact, your budget is exactly what you asked for.

So I don't know whether this resident is true, but I'd like to call him into the office with meeting with you to find out, get to the bottom of, you know, why— where the cuts were that this curbing wasn't done correctly."

Geo Woodson: "We did curbing in two areas in town over the last month, Westwood Blvd. off of West Lane and Nadel Drive area which is ridiculous for me to go on and pave it when the curbing is

shot. Those are the only two places we did curb work."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "But you're saying you didn't say to a resident that the reason the job was done this way is the town board cut your budget significantly?"

Geo Woodson: "No."

Supervisor Walter: "Okay, thank you."

Geo Woodson: "I only did the curbing where it was needed to save the taxpayers as John Dunleavy would say, the taxpayers money."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Thank you very much, George."

Salvatore Gianni: "Hello, my name is Salvatore Gianni-G-I-A-N-N-I. I'm a resident of Ridge. I'm representing a group of young kids called Unknown Motor Sports, young kids that have a passion for what they do and if you mind, I just want to bring this up. I believe there's enough here.

What you have there is a letter written from me to Mr. LaValle, Senator LaValle in response to solicitation in regard to campaigning for (inaudible) election.

What you see there is a proposal. What this town needs is funds, is revenue. What this town needs is jobs, keep the jobs for all the people that came in here tonight that are trying to fight for it.

How are you going to get this money? There's a piece of property out there that the US Navy gave you guys about 10 years ago. The property is doing nothing. Baseball fields that are sitting there for four years and nobody has been playing on it. A bunch of kids looking to play.

Well, here's my proposal. There's a lot of people that have money, a lot of kids that want a place to go, something to do, some place to hang out not being pursued by police officers or profiled by cops.

Well, that place at Calverton. Calverton is going to create jobs. It's going to give this town a lot of revenue. It's going to give the town money that they need today to put into budgets that

they don't have.

It's going to give a lot of people a lot of work.

Now just consider this. Mr. Dunleavy, you're the senior here. When you were young, how many gas stations or how many shops were open? How many do you see today?"

Councilman Dunleavy: "Very few. Very few."

Salvatore Gianni: "Why? Automobile industry has been dying. A lot of these Mom and Pop places have been closing. You've got to remember something. A car today, to any youngster in this room there's an expression of themselves. They create these cars, they build these cars, they make them look good.

Not considering, you know, I can understand your thoughts you have. Those people that go down the street drag racing. Okay. There are some (inaudible) heads out there but not all of them. There's a lot of people that want something, a place to go, a place that they could call their own.

Remember, in 1908 the Vanderbilt opened up the first race track here on Long Island, the stretch of 57, Vets Highway.

When people told him, I mean we're talking big people that ran New York told him you can't do this race, he looked at them and gave them the bird. He still did it. People came from all over the world to race on that track.

Still today they hold the Stanley Cup Race and they hold the Vanderbilt Race. Why? The Vanderbilt, it's a big name. The Vanderbilts want a spot to go to. The Vanderbilt wants to put a museum in this one place, too, so people can go out and view it 365 days a year.

What I propose, what I'm trying to make you guys understand is one thing. A place not just a race track, okay, a race track is good, but there's a lot of people, senators, a lot of congressmen, once retired, they've got no place to go. What do they do? They go out to a schoolyard jogging around the track.

You know what happened to a friend of mine, a retired mayor for one of the towns nearby? He got called a pedophile. Why? Because

people that just moved into the town didn't know him. Oh, what's this old man doing running around this track?

This race track proposal is not going to be just a track. It's going to be a park, an event center, a place where people could go, families could go out, enjoy themselves 365 days a year.

It's going to have not stores where you could buy clothing and stuff like that. It's going to have a restaurant. A place where you could go sit down with your wife, your kids, you in-laws and have a nice meal.

Opening up a race track around Long Island is going to do a lot. Why? It's going to put these old businesses back in business. People that are dying, it's going to give them a little boost of energy. It's going to give these shops that used to— when you walked in, you couldn't even hear yourself think because the machines were running. It's going to give them a little boost. It's going to let them get back on their feet.

We need these people to generate work and stay alive because what's going to happen is like a lot of these people that were here earlier in the days, they moved out of state. Moving out of state is not bringing us any money. It's not doing us any good.

I can tell you right now and I don't— just by telling you how many kids in this room or how many people in this room buy stuff, material for their cars or send their engines or send their rear ends out to another state to get done. A lot. Because there's nobody here on Long Island anymore that has a machine shop available to do that kind of work.

Parts. You could buy a part in California overnight like that. You can't find it in New York. Why? Because nobody has a business no more to do this.

What's it cost to go to New Jersey and race? A lot. Not only that, it's travel. You're over the bridge, it costs tolls and everything like that. Fuel. But they do it respectfully. Why? It's a passion.

You bring that work, you bring that race track back on Long Island, bring the sport of racing back on Long Island, what's going to happen? You're going to make money, revenue for the state. Your

taxes are going to be there any time you want them. You're not killing an existing business because these businesses that are dying are going to come back to life.

Bring in that resort that you guys call, you know, for skiing, what's that going to do? It's going to stop people from going out of state. It's going to kill all these resorts that are already in business.

Look at the Tanger Outlets when you guys opened them up. What did it do? It killed the Bellport Outlets. It's a monopoly. It's like dominos, a domino effect. You knock one over, they're all going to knock over. They're all going to fall over."

Councilman Wooten: "I'd like nothing better than to have a
viable business come up and make that offer."

Salvatore Gianni: "Well, there's people that have the money on the table."

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "Well, there was people in 2007 because if you remember in 2008 I voted against resorts because there was a viable business who put that very plan in and they're not available right now. They don't have the money—"

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "You forgot about downtown revitalization and these people need a place to go and there's not a race going on and they're here for the weekend or for the week."

Salvatore Gianni "Ma'am, look, it's a 365 day a year park, okay. We're not just talking a race track. The first thing I wanted to do and the first thing I propose to do is put a parking lot on there, just like Bald Hill, bring people out there. Let them hang out 365 days a year. Let them hang out, express themselves, show their cars off so they don't have to worry about, you know, just jumping from parking lot to parking lot.

The second thing I want to do in that place, off that parking lot, a row of stores where you can go get an ice cream, a sandwich, a cup of coffee or hot chocolate. Within that park where people could go out and enjoy themselves, a nature park, preserve what's there.

On the other side of all that, yeah, let hell break loose. Put

a quarter mile track on. Put a road course track on. Let Nascar come in here and buy that track and give you guys the money you need to support the town, support these people that need a job. Okay. Instead of sending them home with no pay.

The money is there. If you don't think you can make money with that, go look at New Jersey, there's three tracks. New Jersey Motor Sports opened up, Mr. Wooten, New Jersey Motor Sports opened up two years, Nascar bought them out for millions of dollars."

<u>Councilman Wooten</u>: "Sir, let me tell you something. I don't know who you've been speaking to but I speak to a lot of people about racing. I know about the brain drain, trust me, I have a six year old, okay."

Supervisor Walter: "Can we wrap it up."

Councilman Wooten: "I know that racing is very important and I think it's regional and I think it would be very successful at EPCAL. But nobody has stepped up with money enough to build that dream. They went away when the economy fell out."

Salvatore Gianni: "Well, how much money are you looking for?

From my understanding, people had money on the table but nobody wanted to budge."

Councilman Wooten: "Probably 50 million to put what you want there."

Salvatore Gianni: "Fifty million?"

Councilman Wooten: "Probably."

Salvatore Gianni: "There's people right now that could drop 100 million dollars on your table."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Mr. Gianni, could you wrap this up? This is not the appropriate forum— if you could wrap it up. We give you five minutes. It's been over."

Salvatore Gianni: "Money is not— what I want to say is this. You know, I'm 51 years old. I had a son 19 and a half years old who ended up passing away on the LIE going from one parking lot to

another because there was no place for him to go.

There's tons of kids that were with him and his friends. Okay. There's (inaudible). And anybody else in this room that has a son or even themselves. I've got a 65 year old who's coming up to me and saying, hey, when are we ever going to build a race track in New York? I'm tired of going to Jersey.

All I'm asking you people is just one thing. You have the property, okay. If we came up with the right funds, are you willing to sit down with us and speak about it and give us the opportunity to give you guys the money you need and generate that funds every year so you could keep these people in business and keep the town functioning?"

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Put together a business proposal, the town will look at it."

Councilman Wooten: "Absolutely. Nobody has come forward in the last three years, trust me, I know."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "You have to put together a business proposal, sir, and submit it."

Salvatore Gianni: "Thank you."

<u>Supervisor walter:</u> "Thank you. Next."

<u>Diana Larkin:</u> "My name is Diana Larkin, I am 25 years old, I'm a resident of Lake Grove. I am also the secretary of Unknown Motor Sports and I am speaking on behalf of my age group of the 18 to 30 year old. Some of them are here right now to support this.

We want our track. We want to bring money into the town. You guys own the property. It's a place for us to go. I'm sick and tired of going out every night and being chased by the police saying you can't hang out here, you're loitering, I can give you a ticket, blah, blah.

Well, we're not doing anything wrong. We're hanging out, we're talking. There's been plenty of times where we fixed my car or

someone else's car in a parking lot because it broke.

Not only do we want to have the nature preserve that Mr. Gianni said because we don't want to rip trees down. We love Long Island and we don't want to kill it. However, we also want an off road course for people like me who cannot get enough of mud.

We want a paved course for people to race on similar to Riverhead Raceway, a quarter mile for people that like that. A museum, like (inaudible) said, you know, for people to go to whenever they want as well as an instructional facility so kids like us don't get hurt trying to do things and at least we have somewhere to go to do it.

I'm sick of hearing of people dying because they were speeding or somebody ran them off the road. I want it to end. There's hundreds of acres there. Why can't we have some of it?

A non-residential area so you wouldn't have to worry about our exhaust being too loud and waking up residents. It's somewhere far away buy still in the town and can save these poor people's jobs.

And honestly I don't want to go to Englishtown to race. I'm a New York resident. I've lived in New York for 25 years and I'm sorry I hate Jersey and I don't want to spend my money there.

My license says New York State, my license plates say New York State and I'm darn proud of it as well as everyone else in this room.

And I know that safety seems important because I've heard you say several times that you don't want to cut these poor people's jobs.

At a race track, you'll have firemen there, you'll have fire marshals there to inspect to make sure it's up to code. You'll have ambulance coming, God forbid somebody falls and gets hurt or something of that nature because let's face it, people do get hurt a lot, whether it's falling, breaking an ankle, getting run over— well a toe, not an actual person, but anything can happen.

Like I said, good for the community and it can increase revenue. Sal Gianni, Sr. said that he wanted to have the shops, the food places open for a reasonable amount of time, not like seasonal

like most places.

And there's the possibility to prevent car related stuff and you guys already have a skate park for kids younger than us. What about us? All the kids that are in college. When all we really care about is our cars and how we can make them better and hanging out with our friends.

I thank you for your time."

Councilman Dunleavy: "Thank you. I was here—— can I just answer that young lady? I was here when this proposal was made for a racing track in Calverton. There was no mention ever of a drag strip there. It was just a Nascar race track.

We have one Nascar race track in Riverhead now that Mrs. Cromidy (phonetic) owns and she is on the board of Nascar. She would have to give that up, that race track or the Nascar franchise for them to even think about coming here to Riverhead.

At this point, she has said she will not give-- she will not give that franchise up because she is on the board of directors of Nascar.

So that's the first hurdle that everybody first has to get over, is how are they going to get Nascar to come out here."

<u>Diane Larkin:</u> "If I may, why would she— I'm not familiar with this. Why would she have to give up the track over on 58?'

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "Franchise, you have to be a certain distance. But Mr. Gianni is going to answer the question for you -- for Mr. Dunleavy."

Salvatore Gianni: "Mr. Dunleavy, okay. No mention of a Nascar track in the past, it's true. But with all due respect, even though we do start off on a slow ground like a parking lot, a quarter mile track, an off road terrain track, a snowmobile track during the winter season with quads, who is to say in two years, three years they might approach— Nascar might approach her and buy her out and build— and take the track over. It's not up to us. If we build it, they could come just like they did in New Jersey.

Remember, in the days, in the past you probably heard, okay,

(inaudible) the same. The future relies on today. If you doubt today, you are never going to have a future."

Councilman Dunleavy: "I agree. But you— the first proposal we received, there was no mention of a drag strip. It was just a Nascar track and that's what I'm saying. There was no proposal ever given to us for a drag strip. Because I was here. There was no proposal for a drag strip."

Unidentified: "The first proposal was a 2.5/8th mile road
course and a 3/4 mile—"

Diane Wilhelm: "Sir, could you state your name for the
record?"

<u>Martin Johnson:</u> "My name is Martin Johnson. I'm the president of Long Island Motor Sports Association and I was here since 2006 fighting for the (inaudible) proposal to be taken intowhich it was not. Instead we got four years of nonsense.

All right, now, the original proposal was a three quarter to one mile oval. The Cromarty's do have a Nascar sanction (inaudible) modified series track but they don't have a craftsman truck series sanction track, they don't have an SECA sanctioned track. I could give you a list of 10 other sanctioned buyers that would be here today right now had-- if you guys would have-well, not-Mr. Dunleavy would have changed his vote.

I'm also here tonight for a few other reasons. There's a lot of quotes in the paper that are saying no one else out there. I've been whispering in a lot of people's ears. Okay. And I'm out here now, right in front of you, saying we're out here, we're waiting. You have a contract binder with Riverhead Resorts.

I shouldn't even be saying this. You have to drop them first. I told Cardinale to drop them in November. We knew in 2006 they didn't have the money when they were here for a Q & E sitting here, nine of them didn't have 10% of the money for the property.

How that became a qualified and eligible Q & E hearing is still beyond me to this day. Okay.

Now unfortunately I come here tonight and wasn't too aware of everything else that was going on here, the other people here where

14 jobs are at risk which I tell you right now, they wouldn't be at risk. If fact, you would be hiring people right now if this went through if the subdivision went by quicker than it's going now.

Now, some of the problems. Mr. Dunleavy met one of our builders last week. I don't know why an hour later you made a call to the paper saying that you didn't meet anybody and there's nobody else out there. Okay. There are people out there, we're waiting. You have to drop the contract. Okay.

Now, the other issues are there have been rumors some members of the town board may be receiving gratuities and other consideration from people involved with Riverhead Resorts. All right. Can anyone confirm or deny that they may have received some special type of gratuities or consideration in any form possibly large or small as in arrangements for a party, travel membership, entertainment, vacation or donations? Can that be dispelled or confirmed?"

Councilwoman Giglio: "Not I."

Councilman Wooten: "I don't know what you're talking about."

Councilman Gabrielsen: "Not I."

Supervisor Walter: "I'm going to say no and I was in the men's room so I figure I'll let you know (inaudible)."

(Some inaudible comments)

Supervisor Walter: "Oh, yeah, come on. No."

Councilman Dunleavy: "If you're going to stand there and
insult us."

<u>Martin Johnson:</u> "I'm not insulting anybody. I'm just bringing attention to the rumors that are out there and whether you are aware of them or not. You could dispel or not."

<u>Councilman Wooten</u>: "I can tell you one thing, Mr. Johnson. I didn't support Riverhead Resorts because I supported the racing. He's not interested right now unless you know something I don't know."

Martin Johnson: "No. Mr. Rechler backed out because he got tired of waiting."

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "Well not only that. But the economy--I've reached out to him since then."

Martin Johnson: "When?"

Councilman Wooten: "I would say about a year ago."

Councilwoman Giglio: "But we can't even entertain another
contract until Riverhead Resorts-"

Martin Johnson: "Right. It doesn't matter so reaching out to him- well, he was interested up until about- "

(Inaudible comments)

Martin Johnson: "There are other people out there. We're
interested."

<u>Councilman Wooten:</u> "It would be nice if they make themselves known to the people who make those decisions."

Martin Johnson: "He shook Mr. Dunleavy's hand last week when
you all voted no again."

Councilman Wooten: "(inaudible) to see five people sitting
here, not one."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Can we start to sum this up? We give you five minutes."

Martin Johnson: "All right. Well, since 2006 Mr. Niven and his associates which are all tied up with—between terrorism, racketeering, threatening the government, every other illegal activity they're involved in, they haven't done anything to come forward to do anything for this town since 2006.

Mr. Niven also promised sometime during the early parts of

2007, he was going to buy a house here in Riverhead. That's another lie that didn't happen. Mister (inaudible) used the excuse twice over the past four years to say the Justice Department was holding up payment. The Justice Department informed me that that was not true.

So, I mean, I'm here today to, you know, you guys need to drop this. We're not going to get ahead nowhere. You know, fifteen people here now their jobs are at risk for no reason at all. You've got kids being killed out in the street because they've got nowhere to practice the sport and they're playing high stake games, you know, practicing the sport in the street where they shouldn't be.

You have other children which could be your own or anybody sitting here that are going out and getting their license, you know from a driver's ed course from school that doesn't teach them absolutely anything where they wind up usually dead within 12 months.

Which we can change all that but you see without a motor sports facility where I have a working acknowledgment— "

Councilman Wooten: "Just get me the proposal, will you
please."

<u>Supervisor Walter</u>: "Sir, if you could just sum up, please. Sum up. There's other areas of the property—"

Councilman Wooten: "I mean I could talk until you're blue in
the face. Show me something."

Martin Johnson: "I can bring you builders to talk to."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "We don't want builders. We want somebody that has a viable business plan."

Martin Johnson: "We have a viable business plan."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Thank you, sir. Can we have the next-sir, you've already spoken, correct? Okay. No-you've got a minute."

<u>Salvatore Gianni:</u> "Half a minute. You say a proposal. What is it exactly that this board wants from Long Island Motor Sports

and all of New Yorkers to come up with?"

Supervisor Walter: "Okay. Guys. Okay, guys, can we hear the next person? If it's a business plan with financing, how you're going to purchase it, who's going to fund it, sir. Can I have the next speaker, please. Thank you."

<u>Salvatore Gianni:</u> "That means if I got the Islanders up here you'd approve it right away, then, right?"

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Sir, can I have the next speaker, please? Thank you. Does anybody else wish to be heard? Can I get a motion to adjourn the meeting?"

Councilman Dunleavy: "I just want to say something to the union people that are here. It was mentioned that we did not contact the union for negotiations. I was on the negotiation committee for the contract. In March I contacted the union vice-president and said that we would have to sit down and talk because of 2011.

At that time I was still on it. The Supervisor did take me off it. I'm off it now but back in March I approached him and told him that we have to talk before the 2011 budget. So they knew about this back in March of 2010."

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Okay. Can I get a motion to adjourn the meeting? What are you talking about? I didn't negotiate with the union?

Can I get a motion to adjourn the meeting, please?"

Councilwoman Giglio: "John, are you trying to make a
statement because I think out of respect for you just make your
statement and—"

<u>Unidentified:</u> "Well you just mentioned you put it out to the union people— I was here in the back of the room and I couldn't understand what you were saying."

<u>Councilman Dunleavy:</u> "I said back in March I contacted the vice-president of your union and said that we had to talk about the 2011 budget. So when your union people come here from the state and say that we never contacted them, they were contacted."

<u>Councilwoman Giglio:</u> "John tried to do it in March, 2010 which gave plenty of time for the union to come in and negotiate with him."

<u>Supervisor Walter</u>: "All of that is inaccurate. I've had constant meeting upon meeting upon meeting upon meeting, lunches in my office over and over and over with your union representatives. I started with a 5%, I negotiated against myself for a 3.8%. I negotiated against myself for a lag payroll.

In the entire time, the union said we're going to do something, we're going to do something, we're going to do something, we'll help you, we'll help you, we're going to do something, we're going to do something. The police union so far has seemed to step up, your union sent people from New York State and the County to say to the town we're not doing anything and the day— on the 29th, the day before I had to deliver the budget after your representative said yes, yes, yes, yes, yes, yes, yes.

The entire time right up to the $29^{\rm th}$, 9:30 on the $29^{\rm th}$ they said they can't do anything. Left me 24 hours to balance— to fix that error. So the bottom line, listen don't even tell me that because I spoke to him.

The bottom line is your union wasn't willing to negotiate with the supervisor's office who is—who is who you have to contact."

Unidentified: (Inaudible)

Supervisor Walter: "And we sat down with all your employees, we talked to the employees to tell them where we were and the bottom line is— in fact, there was one employee that was probably more disrespectful than any other employee that I've dealt with when I invited them in. So we did everything we can.

At this point, I delivered a budget. You gave me 24 hours notice that you weren't going to do something that your union said you were going to do."

Unidentified: (Inaudible)

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "The PBA gave me advanced notice all the way through and stuck with their word."

Unidentified: "Really, what was their word?"

<u>Supervisor Walter:</u> "Yes. I'm not here to negotiate the PBA contract. I am not here to negotiate the PBA contract in front of the camera.

All right. Can I get a motion to adjourn?"

Councilman Dunleavy: "I make a motion we adjourn the
meeting."

Supervisor Walter: "All in favor? Aye."

Meeting adjourned: 9:50 p.m.

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